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* PERSIA	7951	W. A. Wheler	31st ,,
M.L. ORIENTAL	5284	F. N. Tillard	7th Feb.
* CALEDONIA	7558	E. H. Gordon	14th ,,
M.L. PERSIA	7951	W. A. Wheler	21st ,,
* EGYPT	7912	J. Chellew	28th ,,
M.L. CALEDONIA	7558	E. H. Gordon	7th March
* PENINSULAR	5294	T. Leigh	14th ,,
M.L. EGYPT	7912	J. Chellew	21st ,,
* MASSILIA	5011	G. W. Cockman	28th ,,
M.L. ARABIA	7903	J. L. Parfitt	4th April
* PENINSULAR	5294	T. Leigh	11th ,,
M.L. BRITANNIA	6525	F. H. Seymour	18th ,,
* MASSILIA	5011	G. W. Cockman	25th ,,
M.L. PERSIA	7951	W. A. Wheler	2nd May
* PENINSULAR	5294	T. Leigh	9th ,,
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CALEDONIEN	4,232	Remes	12th Feb. 1903.
OCEANIEN	4,259	X	12th Mar. 1903.
ERNEST SIMONS	5,707	Dupuy Fromy	9th Apr. 1904.
TONKIN	6,363	Schmitz	7th May 1903.

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MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF BOMBAY.

APPOINTMENT OF EXECUTIVE ENGINEER.

THE Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay are prepared to RECEIVE APPLICATIONS for the APPOINTMENT of EXECUTIVE ENGINEER for the Municipality under section 74 of the City of Bombay Municipal Act, III of 1888.

2. The Municipal Act provides that the Executive Engineer shall devote his whole time and attention to the duties of his office.

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5. The minimum monthly salary of the appointment is at present fixed by law at Rs. 1,200 and the maximum at Rs. 1,500. The Corporation have requested the Local Government to amend the Municipal Act by raising the maximum salary to Rs. 2,000 per mensem, and Government have expressed their intention to introduce legislation for this purpose at an early date. The service is pensionable under the Pension Rules of the Bombay Municipality, information regarding which and regarding Leave Rules can be obtained on a reference to the undersigned in Bombay, or to Messrs. William Watson and Co., No. 7, Waterloo Place, London. The Corporation are taking steps for the amendment of the existing Rules so as to admit of the Executive Engineer retiring, after 15 years' approved service, on a pension of Rs. 500 per mensem.

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20	21 10	48 8	36 6	30 7	64 5	47 6	37 11	20
21	22 1	49 4	36 14	30 15	64 6	47 8	37 13	21
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23	23 1	50 12	38 0	31 15	64 9	47 12	38 1	23
24	23 9	51 8	38 10	32 7	64 11	47 14	38 4	24
25	24 2	52 5	39 4	33 0	64 13	48 0	38 7	25
26	24 11	53 2	39 15	33 9	64 15	48 3	38 10	26
27	25 5	54 0	40 10	34 2	65 1	48 6	38 14	27
28	25 15	54 14	41 5	34 12	65 4	48 9	39 2	28
29	26 9	55 13	42 1	35 6	65 7	48 12	39 6	29
30	27 4	56 13	42 13	36 0	65 10	49 0	39 11	30
31	27 15	57 13	43 10	36 11	65 13	49 4	40 0	31
32	28 11	58 14	44 7	37 6	66 0	49 8	40 6	32
33	29 8	59 15	45 4	38 2	66 4	49 13	40 12	33
34	30 6	61 1	46 2	38 15	66 8	50 2	41 3	34
35	31 5	62 4	47 1	39 12	66 13	50 8	41 10	35
36	32 5	63 8	48 0	40 10	67 2	50 14	42 2	36
37	33 5	64 12	49 0	41 9	67 8	51 5	42 11	37
38	34 6	66 1	50 1	42 8	67 14	51 13	43 5	38
39	35 8	67 6	51 3	43 8	68 4	52 5	43 15	39
40	36 11	68 12	52 5	44 9	68 11	52 14	44 10	40
41	38 0	70 3	53 8	45 11	69 3	53 8	45 6	41
42	39 6	71 11	54 12	46 14	69 12	54 3	46 4	42
43	40 13	73 4	56 1	48 2	70 6	55 0	47 3	43
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BOMBAY MARKET REPORT.

LONDON, JANUARY 1.

The Bombay mails of 20th ult., arrived at Brindisi to-day.

SECURITIES—			
2¾ per cent. Consols	£93 1-4	=	unchanged
3 per cent. Rentes	£99 3/4	—	„
3½ per cent. Indian Sterling Loan	£107	—	„
3½ per cent. Indian Enfaced Rupee Paper	£65 3/16	—	„
SILVER—			
Spot in London	22 5/16	=	+ 1/16
2 months hence	22 5/16	=	+ 1/16
EXCHANGES—			
Paris cheques	25·15	=	
Berlin „	20·44 1/4	=	
DISCOUNTS—			
Bank of England	4 pr ct	=	unchanged
3 months sight Bank Bills	3 5/8 pr ct	=	— 1-4
6 „ „	2 5/8 pr ct	=	— 1/8
3 months sight Fine Trade Bills	3 7/8 pr ct	=	— 3/8
6 months sight Fine Trade Bills	4 1/8 pr ct	=	— 1/4
INTEREST—			
Day to-day loans	3 pr ct	=	— 1 1/4
7 day market loans	3 1/8 pr ct	=	— 1 1/8

The Bank of England reserve is 28 per cent. of the liabilities.

BOMBAY, FRIDAY, JANUARY 2.

The New Year holidays and the Coronation Festivities throughout India have caused considerable interruption to business during the past week. The Banks have again been closed for three days, and markets generally, more or less, wore a holiday appearance.

Advices from Liverpool and New York during the closing days of the year, showed some firmness in the cotton market, and a considerable advance in prices has taken place. This has reacted to a very moderate extent on our local market. Arrivals here are on a fairly large scale, and the off-take is not keeping pace with the receipts. The quality is falling off, and a good deal of stain and black leaf is now shown in the present arrivals due to the rains which fell in the cotton districts in the early part of last month. This has caused a good enquiry for the higher classes which had been marketed before the rains came, and a moderate business was reported at Colaba, the enquiry coming chiefly from exporters to Europe. For the farther East there was little doing, and the local mills also have been buying on a small scale, filling up only their immediate requirements. In the Sutta market there was rather more movement, and a fair amount of forward contracts were made for Bengals and Broach.

With the completion of purchases for December shipments the Seeds markets have eased off, and prices are somewhat lower for Linseed and Gingelly seed. Business has not been brisk during the week, the purchases reported being chiefly for ready delivery. The arrivals of Linseed and Rapeseed are now on very small lines, and stocks of the former are getting exhausted. The same remarks apply to Poppyseed. Gingellyseed is coming to market very freely but notwithstanding the decline in price which has lately taken place, local rates are considerably above the parity of those current in Europe, and fresh business is restricted. We understand that shipments from China, this season, are competing largely with those from India.

The Freight market is steady but bookings reported during the week have been on a small scale. For ready shipment 15s. was paid for some of the Northern ports, while for picked ports January-February shipment a small business was done at 14s. For further forward we hear of nothing doing.

The following changes appear in the Bank of Bombay statement, dated 27th December, compared with the previous week:—

ASSETS.		
Public Deposits	Rs. 12,63,688	Increase
Other Deposits	39,17,731	Decrease
Credits Undrawn	3,24,054	Decrease
LIABILITIES.		
Government Securities	20,009	Decrease
Other Authorized Securities	11,654	Decrease
Credits on Securities	11,537	Decrease
Loans do.	1,08,379	Increase
Bills discounted & purchased	18,22,931	Increase
Balance with other Banks	2,93,637	Decrease
Cash	45,09,832	Decrease

These figures show an increase of 61 1-2 lakhs in the trade demand. The Presidency Bank's rates remain unaltered from last week at 5 per cent. per annum. There is more enquiry for money and short fixed deposits can now be placed at 4 per cent. per annum for two months, and possibly at 4 1-2 for three months.

The mail of the 19th December brings £40,000 silver and £30,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 23,70,000
Bombay	„ 31,80,000
Madras	„ 5,00,000
	Rs. 60,50,000

The mail of the 26th December brings £140,000 silver and £20,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 21,70,000
Bombay	„ 18,20,000
Madras	„ 20,10,000
	Rs. 60,00,000

The mail of the 2nd January brings £100,000 silver and £20,000 gold, and the following Council Bills:—

Calcutta	Rs. 31,10,000
Madras	„ 22,30,000
Bombay	„ 6,60,000
	Rs. 60,00,000

At the weekly allotment of Council Bills on Wednesday last the sixty lakhs were taken up in full at 1s. 4 1-32d. and for next week the amount to be allotted has been increased to seventy lakhs. The tenderers received only two per cent. In Sterling Exchange the market was firm. The Banks were only open on Monday and Tuesday of this week, and on those days a considerable amount of bills was placed at an advance of one-thirty-second on the rates ruling last week. Three months sight D-A credits were quoted as follows:—

January	1-4 9-32
February	1-4 5-16
March	1-4 9-32
April	1-4 1-4
May	1-4 7-32

The bulk of the business reported was for January delivery. For the outgoing mail private demand was sold to some extent at 1s. 4 3-32d. In Bank Paper we hear the Bazar bought freely Demand at 1s. 4 1-16d. for this and next mail. Bank Telegraphic Transfer was quoted all round at 1s. 4 1-32d. for near delivery and from the 15th January 1s. 4 1-16d. was freely obtainable. It was reported that this rate was done to the end of March, and Bank Demand at 1s. 4 3-32d. from 15th January and all February. For further forward delivery, quotations were rather irregular; Bank Telegraphic Transfers was done at 1s. 4 1-32d. April and 1s. 4d. May, but these rates were obtainable only against bills. For June delivery we quote 1s. 3 31-32d. to 1s. 3 15-16d. and July-August 1s. 3 15-16d.

The 3 1-2 per cent. Government Paper market steadied up during the week under the influence of Bazar reports from Calcutta, stating that the fixity of exchange for the payment of interest in London at 1s. 4d. per rupee, would shortly be announced. Beyond these Bazaar rumours, nothing is known of this important change in the position of rupee loans, and it would seem improbable that any definite announcement will be made before the Budget is published in March next. However, these rumours, once started, are quite sufficient for the Bazaar operators, and prices were raised fully one quarter, per cent. during the week. The monthly settlement takes place on Monday next, the 5th instant, and up to the closing of the Banks for the holidays on Tuesday last, the financial arrangements for carrying forward stocks were still largely in abeyance. The quotation for the second settlement, fixed for the 2nd February, was one anna to one-and-a-half annas higher than for cash. The Money market shows every sign of hardening and all available funds will be required for the next few months for trade purposes. There are big crops to be moved throughout the country, and though funds have been freely laid in, they will all be wanted for this export season, which is generally expected to be one of the largest on record. Closing quotations for the 3 1-2 per cent. of Government paper are 97 8 for cash and 97 9 for 2nd February, and a moderate business is reported during the week under review.

The 3 per cent. Government Paper is quoted Rs. 85.

	Repayable.	Rate.
4 per cent Bombay Port Trust	1923	101
4 per cent „ „	1930	101 1-2
4 per cent „ „	1932	102
4 per cent Bombay Municipal	1923	98·12
4 per cent „ „	1940	100
5 per cent „ „	Tansa	114 1-2
5 per cent „ „	Sanitary	113
4 per cent Bo. Improvement Trust	1959	99·12
4 per cent „	1962	102

Prices of Bullion:—

English Bar silver, ex duty, Ready		56-12
Do. do	1st Settlement	56-12
Do. do	2nd do.	56-8
English Bar gold, Ready		24-1-0

The local market for Silver is steady owing to a threatened attempt to form a corner for the early settlement. A moderate amount of business is reported, the bazaar buying from the Banks. For Gold there has been a fairly good inquiry and prices have improved 1 32nd to 1-16th.

The Piecegoods market continues steady. Clearances are on a fair scale, but demand from up-country is rather slack and prices remain the same. Some indent business in Greys is reported to have been done in 39" but for wider widths home manufacturers ask for distant shipments and business therefore is impossible. A few ready sales in Whites have been made, but there has been no business done for forward deliveries. Prints and Dyed goods are less enquired for, but there is some good demand for Fancies.

The local Yarn market continues firm, and there is a better enquiry at slightly higher rates. The week's sales are estimated at about 10000 bales.

The Copper and Yellow metal Markets are steady and advancing in sympathy with home advices. A small business was reported early in the week at £63 for Copper and £52-15 to £53-5 for Yellow Metal. In Iron the market is also steady with some enquiry for G. C. sheets. Quicksilver and Spelter are quiet but steady. Piglead very dull.

The Share market is almost unchanged at previous quotations, the market having been closed for three days. Bank of Bombay shares have changed hands at Rs. 1297 1-2 and closed quiet at the rate, and Commercials have improved to Rs. 56. In Press shares Mofussils are unchanged at Rs. 450. New Berars are steady at Rs. 565, New Indians have changed hands at Rs. 160. Hingolees are quiet at Rs. 147-1-2. In Mill shares Centrals have advanced to Rs. 1550 Swadeshis are steady at Rs. 657 1-2, Kohinoors changed hands at Rs. 275. Maneckjee Petits have ruled at and about Rs. 1765. Southern Marathas have changed hands at Rs. 140. In miscellaneous list Bombay Burmahs are quiet at Rs. 6700 and quarter shares changed hands at Rs. 1690. Kemps are unchanged at Rs. 245, Treachers are quiet at Rs. 600. Port Cannings are unchanged at Rs. 425, and Bombay Telephones at Rs. 24. In Railway Companies Tapti Valleys are changing hands at and about Rs. 432 1-2 to Rs. 435, Ahmedabad Prantej are unchanged and quiet at Rs. 557 1-2. The rest of the companies are all unchanged and quiet at previous quotations with little or no business reported in them.

EXCHANGE—Tone firm.
Bank T. T. .... 1s. 4 1-32d.
Bank Demand .... 1s. 4 1-16d.
Credit Bills 3 Months Sight D. A. .... 1s. 4 9-32d.
Do 6 do do ...... 1s 4 13-32d.
French Francs 3 do do 170 1-2
Marks 3 do do 138 3-4
Hongkong 30 Days' Sight. 117
Shanghai 30 „ „ 162
Japan 30 „ „ 152 1-2

GOVERNMENT PAPER—3 1-2 per cent—Tone steady.
Cash ... ... Rs. 97 7
1st Settlement ... ... Rs. 97 7
2nd do. ... ... Rs. 97 8

Money Market—Tone steady.

BANK RATE—
Bank of England since 2nd October 4 per cent.
Bank of Bombay do. 23rd December 5 do.
Bank of Bengal do. 18th Dec. 5 do.
Bank of Madras do. 30th June 4 do.

SEEDS.	Rs. a.	Rs. a.
Linseed.—Tone quiet.		
Ready	8 5	
Forward April-May ...	7 13 6	
Rapeseed.—Tone quiet.		
Brown Cawnpore Ready	5 6	
Yellow Cawnpore Ready	5 13	
Do. Gujarat		
Do. Forward April-May	6 6	
Poppyseed.—Tone quiet.		
Ready	8 5	
Forward April-May	7 11	
Castorseed—Tone quiet.		
Ready	23 0	to 23 4
Forward April-May.	23 0	
Groundnuts—Tone steady.		
Forward Jany-Feby	35 12	
Gingellyseed.—Tone dull.		
Howree Khandesh Ready	36 8	
15 per cent. Mxd. „	36 12	
25 „ „ „	35 0	
50 „ „ „	33 0	
Black Kutnee Dec.-Jan.	32 0	

DIVINE SERVICE.

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER XMAS, 4TH JANUARY.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
6-30 and 8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral—Woodward in E flat.
Hymns—176, 178, 557 and 32.
5 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon by Fr. Page, S. S. J. E.
Hymns—73, 165 and 28.
Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis—Simper in F.
Daily Matins at 6-45 a.m., and Evensong at 5 p.m.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.

Tuesday—The Epiphany—Holy Communion—Choral 7-15 a.m.
Tuesday—The Epiphany—Evensong—Choral 6 p.m.
Collections are for Cathedral High School.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Holy Eucharist (Choral).—Preacher. Rev. Father Biscoe.
10 a.m.—Matins.
6 p.m.—Evensong, (Choral)—Preacher. Rev. Father Jovey.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.
(Church of Scotland.)

11 a.m.—Joint Service.
Psalm—46 Tune 21.
Hymns—226, 205 and 191.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6-30 p.m.—Evening Service.
Psalm—24 v. 7 tune 224.
Hymns—141, 310 and 245.
Anthem—The Lord is my Shepherd.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Eucharist with Hymns.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon, with Hymns.

BOWEN MEMORIAL METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.
(Apollo Bunder.)

9-45 p.m.—Sunday School.
11 a.m. and 5 p.m.—Divine Service Preaching by Pastor.
Also Prayer Meeting on Wednesday, at 6 p.m.
All Seats free and strangers cordially welcomed.

ALL SAINTS, MALABAR HILL.

6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Offertories for Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge.

WESLEYAN CHURCH.
(Colaba Causeway.)

8 a.m.—Rev Edward Gearey.
6-15 p.m.—Rev Walter Seed.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
8-30 p.m.—Social Hour.
(Wesleyan Church, Victoria Gardens, Byculla.)
9 p.m.—Rev Walter Seed.
6 a.m. Rev Edward Gearey.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School—Rev E. Gearey.

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

8 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon by Rev Canon Roberts.

THE UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND.
Wandby Road.

11 a.m.—Joint Service (St. Andrew's Church.) Rev J Henderson.
4-30 p.m.—Sunday School and Bible Class.
6 p.m.—Evening Service by Rev. Alex S. Crichton.
Hymns—197, 93, 142 and 26.
Psalm 48; 3-5.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
4-45 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

ST. NICHOLAS' SEAMEN'S CHURCH.
Opposite the Main Gate of Prince's Dock.

10-30 a.m.—Matins.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
DAILY.
7-30 a.m.—Matins.
7-15 p.m.—Evensong.
The north door of the Church is left open every day till sunset for private prayer.

ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST, COLABA.
(Afghan Memorial Church.)

11 a.m.—Parade Service.
8 a.m.—Choral Celebration of the Holy Communion.
Hymns—553, 318 and 270.
6 p.m.—Evensong Choral and Sermon.
Hymns—155, 73 and 74.
Offertories during the day for the Organ and Choir Fund
Preacher the Rev. Canon Rivington.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN PAREL.
(Madras Time.)

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist.
8-30 a.m.—Matins.
Hymns—175 and 289.
5-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6.30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—88, 165 and 179.

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OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

MARRIAGES.

GARLICK—CHARLES—December 26, at St John's Church, Calcutta, by the Revd R W H Stuart, Chaplain of St John's Church, Ralph Reynolds Garlick, B C S, to Daisy Gwyther, the only daughter of Mr T G Charles, Bengal Police.

STANLEY SMITH—DICKINSON—December 17, at St Michael's, Mussoorie, by the Rev Fr John Baptist, O C, Ralph Stanley Smith, Chief Engineer, Electric Light Trust, Dacca, youngest son of the late Samuel Seton Smith, Superintendent, Central Jail, Tanna, to Ida Kathleen Mary, eldest daughter of R R Dickinson, Survey of India, and grand-daughter of the late Captain F Dickinson, 83rd Foot, and of the late Captain M R O Toole, S C, and great-grand-daughter of the late Lieut-General Richard Colleton Dickinson, R A.

DEATH.

ANDREWS—December 24, at Meerut, Charles Alfred Andrews, M A (Cantab), Principal of the Meerut College, aged 56 years.

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P. and O. s. s. China, with English mails of 19th instant, due to arrive at 5 a.m.
Bombay Extra Races.
Royal Bombay Yacht Club Races.
People's Fair on the Esplanade.

SUNDAY.

Sun rises, 6h. 31m. Sun sets, 5h. 35m. High water 2-12m., 2-22s. Low water, 8-25m., 7-59s.
People's Fair on the Esplanade.

ARRIVAL OF THE PORTUGUESE GUNBOAT MANDOVY.—The Portuguese Gunboat Mandovy, Captain A. R. P. Nunes, arrived in Bombay harbour at noon yesterday from Goa.

TIRED OF LIFE.—Mr. J. M. Payne, Acting Coroner for Bombay, conducted an inquest yesterday at the Morgue, relative to the death of Shivram Daje, a mill hand, aged twenty-five years. For the past three months the deceased had been suffering from some internal pain and was tired of life. He suddenly disappeared on Wednesday from his house at Parel and on a search being made his body was found floating in the hot water tank of the China Mills in Sewree. The jury returned a verdict of suicide.

RATANSI MULJI CHARITABLE DISPENSARY, FORT.—During the month of December, the number of Hindu patients that were treated in this Dispensary was 3,155. The number of new admissions was 679, classified as stated below:—

Castes.	Men.	Women.	Children.	Total.
Bhattias	22	8	14	44
Vanias	68	14	33	115
Brahmins	72	14	21	103
Lohanas	19	2	23	44
Other castes	236	51	83	370
Total	417	89	173	679

The average daily attendance was 102.

ROBBING HIS MASTER.—Yesterday morning at the Esplanade Police Court before Mr. Karsondas Chabildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Jones charged Narayan Dhondo, a Hindu, with the theft of a currency note for Rs. 100 belonging to his master Mr. Sorabji Muncherji. Evidence showed that on the 16th December last, the complainant gave two currency notes for Rs. 100 each to the accused and asked him to put them in an envelope and seal it. The envelope was then posted to the complainant's mother at Navsari. Four days after the complainant received certain information from his mother upon which he questioned the accused. The accused denied all knowledge of the note and the complainant had to inform the police, who eventually recovered the note from the accused. The accused admitted having taken out the note while sealing the envelope. He had one previous conviction against him and was sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment.

KIDNAPPING AND THEFT.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. Karsondas Chabildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, Inspector O'Keeffe, charged Fakirmahomed Dinmahomed, an old offender, with kidnapping a male child and stealing three gold studs and a chain belonging to Bavamia Abamia, the father of the child. It appeared that on Thursday morning the accused took away the child from near the residence of his parents in Memon Mohola. When the complainant returned home at ten o'clock his wife informed him of the loss of the child and he went out in search of him. However, he could find no traces of the child and informed the police. In the afternoon at about four o'clock the child was brought to him by a boy named Ahmed. The accused was arrested at about six in the evening and pointed out the shop of a Marwari with whom he had pledged the property. He pleaded guilty to the charge and admitted one previous conviction. The Magistrate sentenced him to 14 weeks' rigorous imprisonment.

A DISHONEST SERVANT.—At the Esplanade Police Court, yesterday, before Mr. Karsondas Chabildas, Third Presidency Magistrate, Inspector Patterson charged Durgaprasad Sukhanand, a "ramoshi" in the Sun Mills, Sidhanath Dwarka, Kedariprasad Maharajdin, and Shivratan Sumersing, with dishonestly receiving, concealing and disposing of stolen property. Superintendent Roberts applied for a remand and presented an application, which went to show that on the 19th September 1902, one Dhopailal Joharilal entrusted Rs. 19,925 to his servant Dwarkaprasad Bindessri to be paid to the firm of Messrs. Ludha Ibrahim and Company, in Bombay. Instead of doing so, Dwarkaprasad decamped with the property. Information was given to the police and the accused were arrested on the 31st December last. Dwarkaprasad was arrested in the Sidhpur District, which was the Gackwar's territory and he is not yet extradited. Rs. 19,360 had been recovered out of the stolen property and further police investigations were necessary to recover the balance. The Magistrate granted the remand and ordered the accused to be given into the custody of the police to enable them to make further investigations.

MUSIC AT THE PEOPLE'S FAIR.—The band of the 23rd Bombay Rifles will play the following programme of music under the direction of Mr. M. Fradilis, Band Master, commencing at 5 p.m. to-day, at the People's Fair:—

March ....Rustiga Bridge............Rogers.
Overture ....Hungaria............Keler Bela.
Mazurka ....Alpine Rose ....Strauss.
Selection ....Dorothy ....Bucalossi.
Valse ....Epigramme ....Gung'l.
Selection ....An Artist's Model ....Jones.
GOD SAVE THE KING.

At 9 p.m. the following programme will be rendered:—

March ....Faust............Gounod.
Overture ....L'Italiana in Algeiri ....Rossini
Valse............Mia Cara............Waldteufel
Selection ....Les Cloches de Corniville...Planquette
Senorita ....The Jewel of Asia............Philp
Reminiscences ....Of all Nations............Godfrey
Duet ....Der Engel Leid ....Braga
GOD SAVE THE KING.

By kind permission of Captain A. G. Creagh and the officers, the band of the 21st Bombay Infantry will play the following programme of music, under the direction of Mr. A. Mallandaine, Band Master, commencing at 5 to 7 p.m. to-morrow:—

March............Coronation............George
Overture ....Rubezahl ....Flotowl
Chorus & Cavatina..Belisario ....Donisetti
Song............The Last Chord ....Sullivan
Selection ....Of Stephen Adams' Popular Songs ....Henley
Russian Dance ......(Piccolo Solo) Danse des Zauves............Leslie
Fantasia ....Favourite Melodies from Old Operas ....Kappey
GOD SAVE THE KING.

BOMBAY 5TH EXTRA MEETING.

SATURDAY, 10TH JANUARY.

Owners are reminded that Entry closes at 6 p.m on Monday, 5th January, 1903 (only one Entry).

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Bombay, 30th December.

SHAKESPEARIAN THERAPEUTICS.—If anything can "minister unto a mind diseased" it is assuredly Hunyadi Janos, which will "cleanse the stuff'd bosom of the perilous stuff which weighs upon the heart." It is an arsenal of therapeutics, being speedy, sure, and gentle.

RUPEE PAPER.

PROPOSAL FOR FIXED EXCHANGE.

THE following letter has been addressed by the Secretary Bengal Chamber of Commerce, to the Secretary to the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department:—

The Committee of the Bengal Chamber of Commerce have had under consideration a suggestion made by the Chairman of the Madras Chamber of Commerce that the Government of India should guarantee payment of interest on Government Rupee Paper, enfaced for payment of interest in London, at the fixed rate of 1s. 4d. per rupee. The question is one which has received the careful attention of the Committee of this Chamber, and they have, in consideration of its general importance, decided to place their views on the subject before the Government of India.

The proposal is doubtless based on a desire to improve the position of Government Rupee Securities in the money markets of Europe, as well as of this country; to increase their popularity as an investment, to facilitate the issue to future loans, and to obviate the speculative disturbances which now attend the floatation of even a small Rupee Loan on the circumscribed money markets of India.

It is noteworthy that while India Government 3 1-2 per cent Sterling Securities are at present at a premium of about 7 per cent, the 3 1-2 per cent Rupee Securities of the same Government are at a discount of about 2 3-4 per cent. Much of the preference displayed by investors for the Sterling Loans must be sought for in the fact that they serve as a remunerative source of employment for the resources of Banks, Insurance Companies, etc., and for Trust Funds generally, for which purposes Rupee Securities on their present basis are not regarded with favour, and in the case of Trust Funds are even legally disqualified.

The proposal then involves the consideration of the following questions:—

(a) Should the guarantee of payment of interest in Sterling be applied to all existing Rupee Loans, or only to such loans as may be issued in the future?

(b) Should the payment of interest in Sterling on these guaranteed loans be exclusively limited to such Rupee Paper as is enfaced for payment of interest in London, or should a holder domiciled or residing in this country, whose paper has not been so enfaced, have the option of cashing his interest drafts in rupees if presented for payment in this country or in Sterling if the said drafts are presented for payment in London?

(c) Should the rate of exchange for such guaranteed interest be fixed at 1s. 4d. or at some other rate?

(d) Should the existing procedure for registration of the securities and payment of interest be continued, or in what way should it be modified to meet the proposed new conditions?

Dealing seriatim with the questions raised in this letter, the Committee have arrived at the following conclusions:—

(a) Assuming the confidence of the Government in the maintenance of the ratio of exchange established under the Currency Scheme and the adequacy of the gold reserves which have been, and continue to be accumulated for that purpose, the Committee consider that in giving the proposed guarantee on all rupee loans, the Government of India would only be acknowledging "in form" a guarantee which already exists "in fact," seeing that maintenance of the ratio of 1s. 4d. to the rupee in the currency of this country presupposes ability to guarantee not only interest on, but also the principal of rupee loans on a similar basis without appreciable additional risk.

Further, viewed in its broadest aspect as a matter of statesmanship as well as a question of finance, the Committee are decidedly of opinion that the guarantee should apply to all existing rupee loans and should not be limited only to such as may be issued in the future. The intention being to inspire confidence in the security, that object will not be attained by any halting and hesitating limitation of responsibility, which might give rise to a belief that the Government themselves lacked confidence in the stability of the existing ratio and, consequently, in the security which they offer to the investing public.

Lastly the effect of limiting the guarantee to future loans might tend to lessen the popularity of existing loans and to lower their market value, as investors would naturally prefer the guaranteed paper; for all these reasons, therefore, the Committee are of opinion that the guarantee should apply to all existing and future loans "during the whole period of their respective currencies."

(b) Coming to the second question, it is desirable to enquire what would be the probable effect of guaranteeing interest on Enfaced Rupee Paper only. It may be presumed, in the first place, that it would tend to create a flow of paper to Europe, and, in the second place, that it would enhance the market value of Enfaced and, as a necessary consequence, of Un-enfaced Rupee Paper. But, unless made legally suitable for the investment of British Trust Funds, it is unlikely that even guaranteed Rupee Paper would attain the premium which it ought to command. Also the Committee believe that the flow of paper to Europe, to which they have alluded as a probable and immediate consequence of the guarantee, would be effected with less disturbance of the finance markets and made more gradual in its operation by the giving of a general guarantee which would remove the possible anxiety of investors to transfer their paper two rapidly to Europe. If, then, the proposal only contemplates guaranteeing interest at a fixed rate for Sterling Exchange in the case of Enfaced Rupee Paper, as was suggested by the Chairman of the Madras Chamber of Commerce, the Committee fail to find reasons for recommending it.

Again, if a guarantee is to be given, the Committee do not see why it should be granted as a privilege to one class of investors or holders above another, nor why the European investor should have the right of encashing his interest drafts in either Sterling or Rupees, while the Indian Investor should be offered payment only in Rupees. For all these reasons the Committee are of opinion that the guarantee should extend to all Rupee Paper, no matter where held or where presented for payment of interest.

(c) As regards the rate of Exchange, the Committee having consulted the general body of members find that a large majority of the replies are in favor of the rate being fixed at 1s. 4d. Although this rate is undoubtedly higher than the ruling rate of Exchange for some months in the year, this objection would, it is believed, be more than counterbalanced by the incidence of the income tax on the supposition that interest warrants payable in Sterling would be subject to the English income tax in addition to Indian income tax already deducted.

(d). Finally, the Committee think that the existing procedure for the registration of the securities themselves, and for the issue of the interests, drafts, should be modified to the following extent:—

(1) That arrangements be made for the encashment in London of such interest drafts as may be there presented for payment.

(2) That, as a protection against forgery and fraud, as well as to allow of the Government ascertaining the extent of their possible Sterling liabilities under this head, all holders of Rupee Paper should be required to declare, when applying for interest, whether they required payment to be made in Rupees or in Sterling, and that the drafts should be thereupon issued and be payable accordingly.

ROYAL BOMBAY YACHT CLUB.

THIS AFTERNOON'S RACES.

Yachts Handicap (Class A) Race—Start at 2-45 p.m. Course No. 9. 9·6 miles.

Yachts' Names.	Entered by
Nanta	G T W Olver, Esq
Sapphire	Capt Muter, R E R H H Hopkins, Esq
Stella	Lt Col Boyd, I M S
Melody	B G Triggs, Esq

Yachts Handicap (Class B) Race—Start at 2-30 p.m. Course No. 8. 6·3 miles.

Yachts' Names.	Entered by
Pixie	E R Smetham, Esq
Mannikin	Officers, R A
Sayonara	W W Petrie, Esq
Isca	E Faulkner, Esq
Janetta	Officers, R E
Trixie	A M Monteath, Esq

Tomtit Class Race—Start at 3-15 p.m. Course No. 14, 8·5 miles.

Boats' names.	Entered by
Clutha	E R H Jackson, Esq
Tomtit	Dr F M Gibson
Titmouse	Major Pollard

Ship's Boats (fancy rig) Race—Start at 3 p.m. Course No. 6. 7·6 miles.

Boats' names.	Entered by
H M S Magdala's 28' Galley	Lieut J C Powles, R N
H M S Renown's 32' Cutter	Lieut Taylor, R N

THE CITY MORTALITY.

THE Municipal Office returns for the twenty-four hours ending at 6 a.m. yesterday give the following results:—

Wards.	Plague. Attacks.	Plague. Deaths.	Death from all causes
A Upper Middle and Lower Colaba, Fort Northern, Fort Southern and Esplanade	2	1	8
B Mandvi, Chukla, Umarkhadi and Dongri	3	3	27
C Market, Dhobi Talao, Fanaswadi, Bhuleshwar, Khara Talao and Kumbharwada	6	6	25
D Khetwadi, Girgaum, Chowpatty, Walkeshwar and Mahaluxmi	1	1	11
E Mazagon, Tarwadi, 2nd Nagpada, Kamatipura, Tardeo, Byculla and 1st Nagpada	7	6	24
F Parel, Sewree and Sion	3	2	9
G Mahim and Worlee	2	1	11
Water Division	0	0	0
Non-resident and unknown	0	0	6
Hospitals	0	0	8
Total	24	20	123
Total plague deaths to date	122,025	101,462	
Same date last year	21	33	152

BOMBAY RACES, 1903.

11TH, 14TH, 16TH, 18TH & 21ST, FEBRUARY.

Owners are reminded that 2nd Entries close on Tuesday, 6th January, 1903.

CECIL GRAY,
Secretary, W. I. T. C.

Bombay, 30th December, 1902.

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HERE, THERE, AND EVERYWHERE.

JOHN BULL spends £6,755 every day of the week except Sundays in cable messages to his cousins and clients over seas.

The first judge to go on circuit on an auto-car is the Lord Justice Clerk of Scotland. On one journey he found his car more expeditious than the train.

A correspondent points out that the three full colonels of the Household Cavalry regiments have not invariably been peers. For instance, for some time prior to Lord Wolseley's appointment in 1895 the Colonelcy of the Royal Horse Guards was held by Field Marshal Sir Patrick Grant.

We have all been labouring under a misapprehension. Winter has not arrived. The frost and snow, the storm and tempest which we have been experiencing are merely autumn aftermaths. It must be so. Winter cannot exist until officially recognised. The almanac sets forth the date of its incoming as December 20.

King Victor Emmanuel III. is one of the most enthusiastic automobilists in Italy. His Majesty is said to have exclaimed after a motor-car ride, "The only thing that now contents me is my automobile—until I can have an airship."

Thirty peers and forty members of Parliament are members of the Automobile Club of Great Britain and Ireland. Among the most distinguished of these are the Prime Minister, the Duke of Westminster, the Duke of Sutherland, the Earl of Onslow, the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and Lord Stanley, M. P.

In the Registry Book of Stockport there is the following entry:—"1602. John, the son of Henry Bradshaw, of Marple, was baptised the 10th of December." Another hand has added to this in the margin of the page the word "Traitor!" The baby of 300 years ago thus referred to was John Bradshaw, the president of the court which tried and condemned Charles I.

The following order has been issued by Postmaster-General Payne, of New York:—"It is hereby ordered that a woman classified employee in the postal service who shall change her name by marriage shall not be reappointed." Another injustice to the necessitous youth of America.

It is a grim commentary upon the wisdom of the ancient Egyptians that, possessing the secret of a composition which made shells and ornamental rockwork practically impervious to atmospheric change they should have left to the solicitous of this day the preservation of the immemorial Sphinx. The surface of this "question unanswered" is menaced by the moist atmosphere which will be induced by the new dam, for it is feared that in these circumstances the sandstorms will have a drilling power unknown when the air remained dry. An American proposes to furnish the precious monument with an armour of varnish—beeswax and turpentine most of it, judging from the specification.

This is the way they do their theatrical advertisements in South Haven (Mich.).

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The number of people who lose their lives each year through the love of hazard appears to become increasingly great. An examination of the newspaper files for the past few months shows that forty-four people have been killed while motoring, seventeen have owed their deaths to balloons and airships, and nine have been accounted for by the bicycle and its allied contrivances. Steeple-climbing has been responsible for the demise of two, foolhardy ones, diving from bridges added three to the death-roll, long-distance swimming five, and various athletic sports (excluding American football) seven. Mountaineering has its own mortality returns. The rage for risk is heavily paid for in lives without these.

Here is a little evidence of the improvement in our methods of dealing with children, even in modern times. The following is a copy of a ticket which explains itself:—

HARTSHORNE.
CHILDREN'S
CORONATION
TICKET
For Buns and Ale.
June 28th, 1838,
At Eleven o'clock.

Miss Hannah Atkins, who attended the meal, informs Mr. W. S. Caine, M. P., to whom she sends the ticket, that the "strong Burton ale flowed like water for both old and young. There were scores of children drunk, and no one took any notice beyond laughing at them."

A cannon ball fired from a British field piece during the war with America in 1812 has just been unearthed at Bladensburg and presented to the National Museum at Washington. It was found to contain a note addressed to the "Commanding Officer of the American Forces Defending Washington," and set forth in detail the plans of Admiral Cockburn for an attack upon the American capital. The note was signed "Timothy Howard, mate of the American merchantman General Stone, and victim of the British pressgang."

It is being commonly said in the studios that the King has asked that M. Emil Fuchs should be made an A. R. A. "Some men have had ten years for making better coins," is the comment of a fellow artist.

Dr. Sven Hedin has lectured in Scandinavian in the Scandinavian capitals, in Russian at St. Petersburg, in German at Berlin, in French at Paris, and in English in London. His remotest ancestor must have been chief interpreter at Babel!

December 10th was the twenty-ninth anniversary of the sentence of death and degradation passed upon Marshal Bazaine in consequence of his capitulation at Metz, when three marshals, over 6,000 officers, and 173,000 men were taken prisoners by the Germans. The sentence was commuted to twenty years' imprisonment, but a year later the marshal escaped from prison. He died in 1888 at the age of seventy-seven.

One of the most gigantic mining operations ever undertaken is about to be carried out at Cripple Creek, Colorado. A tunnel no less than fourteen miles in length is to be bored in order that the minerals may be brought through and forwarded to the coast. The real advantage will be that the ore will then be able to pass from the mine to the port over a comparatively level plane of transit, whereas now the mineral has to be transported over the range of mountains.

"The Great Trial of Alcohol" does not mean the test of liquor by connoisseurs' palates or by analysts' apparatus. It is to be a real trial at Wimbledon Temperance Hall. Mr. G. H. Woodlands, J. P., chairman of the Wimbledon Urban District Council, is to be judge, and Mr. Tennyson Smith, the well-known temperance advocate, is to be counsel for the prosecution. The culprit is to be defended, but his counsel has not yet been briefed. An ex-police-sergeant is to act as clerk of the court and an ex-policeman as constable. The calendar shows that the prisoner is indicted for robbery and murder, and witnesses will be called in support of the charges which Mr. Smith will bring, and there will be testimony for the defence. A full jury is to be empanelled, and to return a verdict. The "prisoner" will be "released" or "executed" according to the jury's finding.

Humane breeders of horses in the north of England are agitating against the cruel fashion of docking horses' tails. We have outlived the monstrous practice of "nicking" horses tails, cropping their ears, and applying red-hot irons to the legs of our thorough-bred yearlings; and a call is now made for the R. S. P. C. A. to test the surviving relic of barbarism. With docking stopped, and the bearing rein abandoned, the horse would be spared inconceivable misery. One of the remount officers in South Africa had the following note in a Blue-book on the subject: "I wish you could have made it illegal to dock horses; it is sad to see the poor teamsters that come out without any protection against the flies that swarm out here." Yet, as a contemporary points out, few of our remount officials would have accepted undocked horses, because of their unfashionable appearance.

The Scott-Montagu Bill, which proposes to have huge numbers placarded on all motor-cars, is arousing storms of protests from automobilists. "Motoring Illustrated" publishes a number of opinions adverse to the Bill, and declares the Bill to be an epitome of weakness, adding that motorists are too numerous and too strong "to be made the victims of a milk-and-water Bill of this kind." The following by the way, is an interesting note: "The King's car is geared to about forty miles an hour, and makes it."

On November 22, 1852, in Novi-Vinodol, twenty-four couples were married in the same church. On November 22 last twelve couples, all that was left of them, kept the fiftieth anniversary together. The old people represented between them 690 years of married life.

Varsalona, the Sicilian brigand whose notoriety has overshadowed that of Musolino, is still at large, notwithstanding the unremitting efforts of the Government for his capture. Two torpedo boats are cruising off the Sicilian coast to prevent his escape to the Italian mainland. A prize of £1,000 is offered for his arrest; the provinces of Palermo and Trapani, where he is supposed to be, are continually patrolled. His father and one of his brothers, notorious miscreants, died in prison, another brother was implicated in a case of burglary, and a third was killed in a street brawl.

A gentleman who seems to have been supplied with a rather curious form of fuel sends us a copy of a letter which he has addressed to his coal merchants:—"Sirs,—When you send the next load of paving stones please put a few knobs of coal on the top (i.e., if you have any). You can leave the rest outside: they may come in for the roads. Indeed, you need not send them at all unless you cling, as it were, to custom, or want your horse to have the exercise. We have now quite finished our rockery and the stone wall round the garden, and are thinking of trying coal next. We sometimes get a lot of heat out of your stuff, but the sledge-hammer exercise is too violent for my wife, so we are going to drop it in favour of Sandow's Exercises. The large slabs bear the constant hammering remarkably well and will last us on for long time—they strike fire and emit sparks finely. The new stones, however, are very black at first until they have had rain upon them. when they look very nice and rustic. "We are old-fashioned sort of people, and would feel glad at any time to hear if you should come across any of the good old coal that we used to get to light to and cook a meal by.

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THE Steamer Baron Fairlie, 2,318 tons, Captain B C Gundey, arrived in harbour yesterday, from Calcutta, 21st December, with a cargo of coal.

THE Steamer Xenia, 2,031 tons, Captain J Ohoaling arrived in harbour, on the 1st January, from Batoum, 10th December, with a cargo of 13,750 cases of Kerosine oil.

THE B I S N Co's Steamer Shirala, 3,355 tons, Captain S R Hartley, arrived in harbour on Thursday, from Calcutta, 20th December, with cargo of coal. The Captain reports that his vessel passed the s s Mombasa (of Glasgow) abandoned in the Bay of Bengal.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Pemba, 986 tons, Captain T M Whitehead, arrived in harbour on the 1st instant, from the Persian Gulf via Karachi, with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Mr Kniper, Mr Lock, Mr Stewal, Mr R Morris, Mr Barber Mr Morris, Mrs and Miss Cork and child, four natives and 95 deck.

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Richard Grech	178	I Government
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IN THE STREAM.

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Tenasserim	...	Receiving Hulk
H M S Magdala	Capt G H Hewett, R N	Turret Ship
H M S Abyssinia	...	Turret-ship
H M S Assaye	Comdr R M Lambert	Torpedo Gunboat
* Torpedo Boat No 100	Lt Comdr J C Hughes, R N	....
* Do No 102	Lt Comdr J C Powles, R N	....
* Do No 103	Lt Comdr F C Vaughan R N	....
4 Torpedo Boats	....	....

* Indian Defence Ships.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—JAN. 2.

Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
Crescent	804	Raffin			M H Cassum
Aljafar Schr	65	Nacoda			H S Sidick
Khandalla	1313	Kirkham			M M & Co
Kola	497	Rickford	Karachi		M M & Co
H Bolckow	639	Fowles			B & P S N Co
Massilia	2744	Cockman			P & O Co
Purulia	993	Stafford			M M & Co
Safari	1433	Tepe			A Strandes
Annie	2445	Wie			The Captain
Hugin	829	Andrew			Bombay Co
Mohommadi	1252	Galley			B & P S Z Co
Onipenta	3420	Kilpatrick			M M & Co
Java	970	McDiarmid			M M & Co
Ranee	3631	Corran		5-1	Transport
Parramatta	2854	Fox			P & O Co
Ujina	3426	Stratew			M M & Co
Bengali	3611	Bountyne			T Morrison
Clan Macdonald	3113	Harrison			F Muir & Co
Tientsin	2555	Cooke			P & O S N Co
Tottenham	2913	Peters			
Sardinia	4126	London			Transport,
Shirala	3355	Hartley			M M & Co
Pemba	986	Whitehead			.....
Baron Fairlie	2393	Goudey			.....
Mandovy	...	D L De Rego			Port Gunboat

VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination	Date.	Agent.
A	Aleppo	2536	Rayward	Hull	4-1	F Muir & Co
B	Askebill	2762	Tudor	Hull	4-1	W & A Graham & Co
D&E	Abergeldie	2438	Keith	London	3-1	R Bomonji
F	Santhia	3322	Boon	Dunkirk	6-1	M M & Co
K	Hollywell	2127	Tointon	Hamburg	2-1	M M & Co
L R	Reunion	1829	Carr			G Mahmed
M	Ikhona	3323	Willsher	Berbera	4-1	Transport
N	Nowshera H T	1961	Robinson	Berbara	2-1	M M & Co
P	Falls of Keltie	2156	Nixon	Garston	3-1	F M & Co

HARBOUR WALL.

Mahanadi	517	Hoosein	Mangalore	2-1	Shep1 & Co

VICTORIA DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destination.	Date.	Agent.
1	Olympia	3218	Osborne	Liverpool	31-12	W & A G & Co
2	Simla	1615	Hodson			M M & Co
3	Khandalla	1318	Kirkham			M M & Co
4	Elsa	1702	Seronwaldt			M Yebeer
5	Cy of Dundee	2572	Baillie	Antwerp		K N & Co
6	Kagoshima M	2731	Kori	Japan	5-1	N Y Kaisha
7	Coromandel	2783	Bunnett	China	31-12	P & O S N Co
8	Imperatrix	2353	Bellen	Trieste	1-1	A L S N Co
9	Haddon Hall	2678	Buck	Liverpool	10-1	K N & Co
12	Arabia	4167	Parritt	Aden	3-1	P & O Co
14	Dwarka	759	Rothwell	Karachi	3-1	M M & Co
15	Agapanthus	2889	Davies	Hull	5-1	F Muir & Co
16	Sultan	1781	Ahrens	Zanzibar	6-1	A Strandes

ARRIVALS.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	From
1	Shirala s	Hartley	Calcutta, Dec 20
	Xenia s	Ohoaling	Batoum, Dec 10
	Pemba s	Whitehead	Busreh, Dec 21
2	Baron Fairlie s	Gondey	Calcutta, Dec 21
	Mandovy (Portuguese Gun boat)	D L De Rego	Goa

DEPARTURE.

Jan.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
2	Nowshera s	Robinson	Offa

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

COMMERCIAL AND FINANCIAL NEWS.

LONDON, JANUARY, 1.

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The Bank of England returns for the week ending yesterday show the following results:—Total Bullion £29,800,000, increase £1,000,000; Public deposits £9,950,000, decrease £250,000; Other deposits £55,300,000, increase £15,400,000; Other Securities £47,700,000, increase £13,900,000; Notes and Gold £18,300,000, increase £1,100,000; The Bank's reserve is 28 per cent. of the liabilities.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LONDON, JANUARY 1.

The Clan Line steamer Clan Leslie arrived here this afternoon.

ADEN, JANUARY 1.

The P. & O. Company's s. s. Egypt, with the homeward Mails of the 27th ultimo, arrived here at 8 a. m. to-day.

SUEZ, JANUARY 1.

The P. & O. Company's s. s. Oriental with the outward Mails of the 26th ultimo left here at 7 a. m. to-day.

THE Florio and Rubattino Company's s. s. R Rubattino, which left Bombay for Genoa on the 15th December, arrived at Naples on the morning of the 1st January.

THE Messageries Maritimes Co.'s s. s. Oceanien left Aden, for Bombay, on Thursday the 1st inst. at 3 p. m. and she is expected here on Tuesday the 6th inst. at mid-night. She will enter the Dock on Wednesday the 7th inst. early morning.

BOMBAY RACES.

FOURTH EXTRA MEETING, SATURDAY 3RD JANUARY.

TIME AND ORDER OF RUNNING.

		P.	M.
1st Race	Adelaide Plate	3	0
2nd "	The New Year Plate	3	25
3rd "	The Debut Stakes	3	50
4th "	The Substitution Plate	4	15
5th "	The Trial Plate	4	40
6th "	The Lilliput Handicap	5	5
7th "	The Nursery Stake	5	30

By kind permission of Major Carnegy and the Officers 21st Bombay Infantry their Band will play during the afternoon.

A SPECIAL TRAIN LEAVES

Local Time.

	P.	M.
Colaba	2	30
Church Gate	2	35
Grant Road	2	41
Arrives at Mahaluxami	2	45

HORSES STRUCK OUT.

The Lilliput Handicap—Silver Fox, Dagmer, Dispute, Shelter and Governor.
The Debut Stakes—Jamood and Tartar.
The Nursery States—Connaught and Lord Smith.
The Adelaide Plate—Veera.
The New Year Plate—Kyam.
The Substitution Plate—Turkish Flag II and Wild Fox.

CECIL GRAY,
Secy. W. I. T. C.

Bombay, 2nd January 1903.

THE OPIUM REVENUE.

THE Opium Revenue to date compared with the estimate for the year 1902-03.

Latest Month.

	In Dec. 1902. Bengal.	In Nov. 1902. Bombay.	Total.
Estimate	44,00,000	6,00,000	50,00,000
Actual	45,14,275	7,67,000	52,81,275
Better than Estimate	1,14,275	1,67,000	2,81,275
Worse than Estimate	....	....	....

Nine sales of Bengal Opium and eight months' pass duty on Opium exported from Bombay.

	To end of Dec. 1902. Bengal.	To end of Nov. 1902. Bombay.	Total.
Estimate	3,96,00,000	59,00,000	4,55,00,000
Actual	4,06,71,755	78,24,250	4,74,96,005
Better than Estimate	10,71,755	19,24,250	29,96,005
Worse than Estimate	.....	.....	....

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC SERVICE.

JANUARY 2.

STATE OF INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATION.

GREAT BRITAIN—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez, perfect.
CONTINENT OF EUROPE—Via Teheran, perfect. Via Turkey, perfect. Via Suez perfect.
AMERICA—Via Brest, perfect. Via Valentia, perfect. Via Direct Cable, perfect.
AUSTRALIA—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect.
CHINA.—Via Penang, perfect. Via Amoor, perfect, Via Bhamo, perfect.
AFRICA—Via Aden, perfect. Via Cadiz Teneriffe, interrupted. Via Lisbon, St. Vincent, perfect.
Cable Guantanamo Mole St Nicolas interrupted.
Cable Cadiz Teneriffe interrupted.
Cable Puerto Plata Martinique interrupted.
Cable Cayenne Pinheiros interrupted.
Cables Dominique Martinique, St. Lucia Martinique Guadaloupe Martinique, St. Lucia, St. Vincent, interrupted.
Telegrams will be conveyed frequently by steamers.
Cable communication with Martinique is open via Lisbon and Cadiz.
Telegrams can only be accepted at sender's risk.
Code addresses should not be used.

Latest dates of Foreign Messages received at Bombay from the United Kingdom during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m. of the 2nd January 1903.

(Difference in Longitude allowed for.)

Via.	Latest Dates. D.	H.	M.	Time occupied in transmission. Hours.	Minutes.
Turkey	2	2	18 p.m.	..	25
Teheran	2	2	45 p.m.	..	23
Suez	2	[illegible]	[illegible]		

Time occupied in the transmission of messages to Bombay, during the 24 hours ending at 8 p.m., of the 2nd January, 1903.

	Maximum Time H.	M.	minimum Time, H.	M.
From Calcutta	1	57	0	1
" Karachi	0	25	0	3
" Madras	0	30	0	8

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The Bombay Gazette

SATURDAY, JANUARY 3, 1903.

GERMANY IN EAST AFRICA.

WE have got along quite amicably with Germany side by side in East Africa. Indeed it is remarkable that Englishmen and Germans only quarrel when a thousand miles apart. But there are many in both countries who would prefer more active differences. We trust the Rev. W. R. Firminger, F. R. G. S., is not one of the number for as a Chaplain in his Majesty's service we would prefer to believe him an advocate of Peace on Earth and Goodwill towards Men. But he writes somewhat acrimoniously of Germany and Germans in the new number of the "Calcutta Review" in an article entitled "How Germany came into East Africa." Mr. Firminger was Chaplain of Mombasa and subsequently Sub-Dean of Zanzibar. He did his work well, and for his help to rebels wounded in the bombardment of Zanzibar, at which he was present, he received the formal thanks of Admiral Fremantle. Mr. Firminger has written before on the subject of Zanzibar, but his remarks to-day will attract more attention than any of his previous writings. We fear he attaches too much importance to the bitterness existing between England and Germany, but he does not hesitate to say that such as it is, to a very large extent, it had its origin in the methods of diplomacy adapted by Prince Bismarck. The policy of deliberately attempting to outwit a friendly power, to mislead her ministers and wrest from her unawares lands in which her influence had been more or less supreme, he says, would seem bound, in the long run, to provoke some violent expression of British feeling. There was nothing but fair play at the outset in East Africa at all events, and Dr. Carl Peters was the only thorn in our side. Still in those days England pursued a policy of live and let live, and the spirit of imperialism did not permeate everybody and everything as it does to-day. Mr. Firminger regards the story of the growth of Germany's share in the partition of Africa as one of the strangest chapters in the history of the nineteenth century. He fails to see why Germany should have been permitted a footing in East Africa at all, and blames the British Government for failing to recognise that Germany's intention was to become a world power, and being unable to realise that the irresponsible adventurers or filibusters had the confidence of the German Emperor's responsible advisers.

Dr. Livingstone raised a strong feeling in England with regard to the slave trade in East Africa three and forty years ago, but as Mr. Firminger confesses, at that time there was nothing like the same amount of keen interest in the subject of African colonisation as existed in Germany. Even the missionaries employed by the London and Church Missionary Societies were German by nationality. The Sultans of Zanzibar, since the Seyyid Said, writes Mr. Firminger, "can hardly be said to have been very deeply interested in the manner in which their revenue was obtained, so long as its receipt was assured. Thus the Seyyid Burghash more especially seems to have been anxious to farm out his kingdom to some power competent to protect him against all emergencies and at the same time to secure the payment of a very considerable annual revenue. It would seem that his first instinct was to apply to Germany for such support." And then to quote Mr. Scott Kettie: "It is probably known to few that as long ago as 1874, the Sultan of Zanzibar made overtures for having his territory placed under German protection, but Bismarck knew that at that time there was no chance of obtaining a hearing for such a proposal in the German Parliament and therefore declined it." Still if we had declined to establish a protectorate over any other territory we should have taken very good care that no other nation did, and it is not quite doing as we would be done by, when, years after, we thought it right to place before the German Chancellor the position occupied by Great Britain with regard to those territories. Prince Bismarck was told that her Britannic Majesty's ships, since the Canning award, kept the place in Zanzibar waters, and had maintained an active and successful hostility against the slave trade in the cause of humanity and civilisation. But if Zanzibar now preferred German protection it was scarcely right for us to endeavour to oust Germany. Every nation must press onward. There is room enough for us all. Our Empire is so large that no other nation can ever equal it. The world is not big enough for two so great, and if ever we have a rival, that rival not be Germany. Still our trade with Zanzibar had greatly increased since the time of Bismarck's refusal, and the safety of the merchants of all countries had been secured. A British line of steamers—the British India—subsidised by Government, and a British Telegraph Company maintained communications with the capital and coast ports, while British-Indian traders have settled in large numbers on the island and extended their operations in harmony with the Sultan's subjects or under the Zanzibar flag, far into the interior, where the Sultan exercised an influence which had many years been used for the advantage of the traders of all nations under the provisions of a liberal commercial treaty. All these facts were fully set forth by Lord Granville and had due weight, really more weight than we were entitled to expect, and if at last we had to give Heligoland in exchange for German recognition of our right to protect Zanzibar—all the worse for us that we had not earned the confidence of the country years before Germany.

Germany's pioneers in East Africa were not men of the highest moral character, and in that respect they were no great exceptions to the rule. It is remarkable how much good cometh of ill in the matter of territorial expansion. Such territory as Germany has in East Africa she paid for—sometimes too dearly. Her territory has roughly an area of 384,000 square miles. The narrow strip of territory on the coast with its harbour and customs was leased by the Sultan of Zanzibar to the Germans for a period of fifty years, but the Sultan's rights were subsequently acquired by Germany for a payment of four million marks. The country is well administered—generally speaking on a plan in imitation of our own. The people seem fairly prosperous and contented as well as peaceful, and that after all is the true test of successful administration. Only a handful of troops is required to keep eight millons in order—176 Germans, and 1,692 being the strength of the garrison, and 20 Germans, and 570 coloured men as police. Educational and Missionary agencies are at work, there being no less than forty State schools. The physical resources are not yet developed to any extent, but the Government encourages commercial enterprise by granting subsidies for railways and steamers. Telegraphs connect all the principal towns; roads have been constructed, and rest houses erected, showing, that so far as may be, German administrators have studied Anglo-Indian methods to some purpose, and that they have practically proceeded on lines identical with those we should have adopted had our own Government acquired possession of the territory. Considering our own empire is so enormously extensive we can afford to let Germany or any other nation have a slice here and there. They did not make themselves appreciated at the outset, but that was due to want of experience. They are becoming expert now, and the rough corners against which the native struck are gradually disappearing. The presence of Germany in East Africa had nothing to do with the prevalent ill-feeling between the people of the two countries whatever Mr. Firminger may think. It may account for a little rancour among British and British Indian traders resident in Zanzibar, who might have had more scope for their enterprise if all the territory were British. But beyond that East African influence on the feeling between Germany and England is infinitesimal.

THE EXTINCTION OF JEHAD.

MIRZA GHULAM AHMAD whose chief claim to distinction is that he is held by a hundred and fifty thousand Mahomedans to be the "Promised Messiah," has added his quota to Coronation literature. In the course of a pamphlet addressed to the Government of India he makes a proposal by which he thinks the utter extinction of Jehad amongst warlike Mahomedan tribes may be brought about, and he remarks very aptly that if this were accomplished it would be a very fitting accompaniment of the celebration of the Coronation. To begin at the end of the pamphlet we are told that Mirza Ghulam Ahmad has other and more material reasons than his messianic attributes for his love for the British Government. It originated, or, perhaps it would be more fair to say, was stimulated by the result of a murder trial in which Mirza Ghulam Ahmad was very closely interested. He was indeed, the defendant and Dr. Henry Martyn Clarke, of Amritsar, the complainant. Says the writer of the pamphlet:—"People flocked in large numbers to witness the trial, and the ignorant men were under the impression that the complainant being a respectable Christian Missionary and a co-religionist of the Magistrate, the ends of justice would be miscarried. But upon my discharge all men admired the strict adherence of the English to principles of justice. And since I knew the case against me to be a disgraceful falsehood and trusted in God alone for my clearance, my faith in the British Government's love of justice became tenfold on the result of this case." The Promised Messiah goes on to say with fullest reason on his side, though to some of his compatriots his logic may seem to have a smack of personal bias in it, that it is the hardest trial through which a judge must pass, that he should be required to decide between two parties, one of whom is a leader of his own religion and holds a respectable position, while the other has not only an alien religion, but being the founder of a new sect is under the displeasure of his own people on the one hand, and specially watched on the other for the novelty of his doctrines. He gives due credit to the English Magistrate who passed safely through such a trial, and so proved himself a standing witness of the love of justice which characterizes the English Government. He remarks with much force, and we wish some of his more orthodox compatriots would look at the question from the same point of view, that to turn against such rulers or to entertain the idea of Jehad against them, whether at this or any future moment, must be condemned as the greatest villainy. The beneficial influence of British rule as compared with the old Mahomedan regime is indeed the theme of the whole pamphlet, and it possesses one feature, which, indeed has been a characteristic of all the Mirza's previous writings, that there is not a savour of fanaticism in it, nor even of flattery of those whom he is petitioning. Now as to the proposal. Here we are afraid the Mirza does not do himself fullest justice, although what he has to propose is well intentioned. He lays at the door of the Mussulman theologian the trouble which the Mahomedan frontier tribes, who habitually prosecute Jehad, cause the Indian Government, and he suggests that a competent refutation of the doctrine of Jehad, written at the instance of the Government of India, should be circulated amongst the Mullahs and other religious leaders and teachers of Mahomedan warlike races. This refutation, he suggests, should be the outcome of a selection by the Government of India from the efforts of the whole of the Mahomedan religious teachers throughout India. It should be translated into Arabic, Pushtu, and Persian, and towards the expenses of the publication of the work the Mirza is prepared to contribute Rs. 10,000—a truly meritorious earnest of his good intentions. Backed up by the weight of the opinions of the religious teachers of Indian Islam such a volume might have, at any rate, a percentage of the good effect which, the Mirza hopes, it would secure, and he states that there are dozens of men whose trend of thought is such as would make them fully competent to write such a work. Unfortunately the scheme as suggested by the Mirza is impracticable. The Government of India would never lend themselves to anything which might involve religious dissension. There seems no reason, however, why this Messiah of the Mahomedans should not carry his plan into effect in another way. Surely if his views do meet with the general recognition which he says is given to them, he could by private enterprise secure the publication and the circulation of such a volume as he suggests, and the Government of India would at any rate put nothing in his way. Although the suggestion comes from one whom most Mahomedans would regard in the light of an impostor, perhaps, it has a hopeful ring about it, and it will at any rate secure a respectful reading from the official who is called upon to deal with it on behalf of Government.

THE HEALTH OF THE CITY.

IN several respects the figures relating to the mortality of Bombay City during the week ended on Tuesday last were rather discouraging. As a matter of fact the total mortality—741—and the rate per thousand per annum, 49·65, was not at all alarming, and the increase on last week's statistics was infinitesimal. But at the same time the fact is borne upon one that the death rate will never fall to a respectable standard while the causes of the various epidemics which exist continually in Bombay remain. The number of plague deaths rose to 158, a figure which proves that after all there is in Bombay very little mitigation of the conditions in respect of that disease. The decline in the mortality is all very slight when compared with the figures for last year, and the mean for the past five years. In Mandvi which is undoubtedly one of the centres of the dissemination of the scourge, there were no less than twenty-two deaths, the highest total recorded in that district for a long time past. In Byculla there were fifteen deaths, in Umarkhadi 12, in the Market 11, and in Kamathipura 10. When it is borne in mind that there were 59 deaths from phthisis, a satisfactory total enough perhaps when compared with previous figures, 156 death from respiratory diseases, 31 deaths from measles, and many other deaths which appear to be purely epidemic, it is not at all surprising that the rate of mortality is so high. The measles epidemic appears to be growing rather than declining, and the fact that it was responsible for so many as 31 deaths last week proves that it is fully worthy of notice by the public. Fevers continue to decline during the last few weeks. Deaths from this cause have been smaller than for a long time past. Last week, deaths from fevers of all kinds were only 52 as compared with 102 in the same period last year, and the average for the corresponding weeks of the previous years. Dysentery and diarrhœa also seems to have declined somewhat recently. The highest rate recorded among the districts of the city last week was in Second Nagpada. There the rate of mortality was 86·7. In Kamathipura the rate of mortality was 83·7, in Dongri it was 74·6, in Khara Talao 71·84, in Umarkhadi 63·28, and in Mandvi, 62·9. Four Europeans died during the week, and the rate of mortality for the community was 16·94.

AGRICULTURE IN BOMBAY.

FOR the moment the agriculturists of Sind appear to have concluded all operations necessary for the present season. In Guzerat and Sind operations are confined to harvesting and threshing, the various districts of the Deccan report that threshing is in progress, but apparently the whole of the harvest has been gathered in. In the Southern Mahratta country reaping still continues. As regards the condition of the crops the week's report appears to be a favourable one generally. The rabi crops is flourishing in Karachi, and in Larkhana also wheat, cotton, and rapeseed are thriving. Reports from Hyderabad State the growing crops have been slightly damaged by drought, and locusts are committing depredations in one or two talukas. In Thar and Parkar and in the Upper Sind Frontier, where the crops are in a very satisfactory condition, the locusts have appeared, but have done no damage up to the present. The damage by caterpillars which has been going on for some time past in Ahmedabad still continues, but in that district sesamum, rice, cotton, sugarcane, and oil seed are all in good condition. The rice crops have failed in some talukas of Kaira, and in Surat cotton, til, and tur have been slightly damaged by recent downfalls of rain. In Nasik the whole of the crops are progressing favourably, although in several places insects, rats, and untimely rain have caused a certain amount of damage. Locusts still linger in some parts of Ratnagiri. In Sholapur where a week or two ago the rain was very heavy the late sown crops are now showing signs of recovery, and in Bijapur also the prospects of the crops are greatly improving. Weeding is, however, being retarded by the excessive moisture in the soil. There is nothing unusual to notice in the remaining districts of the Presidency. All over the Presidency there appears to be a plentiful supply of water, and there is a sufficiency of fodder. The agricultural stock is also stated to be in a healthy and thriving condition. The variations which have occurred during the week in the prices of food grains are insignificant.

THE P. and O. Company's s. s. Bengal is expected to arrive in Bombay from China at 10 a. m. on Monday next.

MAJOR ROOS KEPPEL, Political Officer the Khyber, who was recently lying dangerously ill at Peshawar from dysentery, is proceeding for a short sea trip to Ceylon to complete his recovery.

THE total number of deaths registered in Bombay during the week ending on Tuesday was 741, giving a death-rate of 49·65 per annum per thousand as against 55·14 the corresponding period of last year, and 64·31 the average over the past five years. Of the total number 52 died from fevers; 158, plague; 6, small-pox; 31, measles; 59, phthisis; 44, diseases of the nervous system; 156, affections of the respiratory organs; 43, diarrhœa; 25, dysentery; 34, still-born; 82, old age and debility; 9, accidents and violence. The classified list of deaths shows:—Jain, 36; Brahmin, 33; Lingaet, 0; Bhattia, 3; Hindu of other caste, 36; Hindu low caste, 84; Musalman, 165; Parsee, 22; Jew, 6; Native Christian, 21; Eurasian, 0; European, 4; Negro-African, 2; Buddhist, 1. The total number of births was 328 as against 324 the corresponding period of last year, and 261 the average over the past five years.

LAST summer, writes a contemporary, there were constant disputes on the borders of the Upper Kurram Valley, owing to grazing disputes between the Turis in British territory and the local tribesmen in Afghanistan. Cattle and sheep were raided by either party and the position became rather critical as escorts to the flocks and herds were sent out, and there fought small actions on their own account. The Turis were quite able to hold their own and on one occasion they scored rather heavily, killing and wounding a number of the "enemy" and capturing valuable booty. There was much excitement across the border and it seemed as if the tribes about the Peiwar and in Khost would collect in force and sweep into Kurram. Fortunately the British and Afghan authorities intervened and the trouble was stayed by the announcement that a joint Commission would assemble to enquire into the whole question of grazing rights. The Amir had willingly agreed to the proposals made by the Government of India on this point, showing himself anxious to avoid any complications. The setting-in of winter stopped all raiding and Kurram has been undisturbed since October. The Commission, as we announced some time ago, will assemble in March and it is hoped that a final settlement will then be achieved.

MR. JUSTICE BUCKNILL, according to the "Western Mail," is learning Welsh in order to be able to follow the evidence of Welsh witnesses.

THE largest elephant in India, says "Gossip," in a well-informed article on the coming Durbar, is said to be that belonging to the Rajah of Surguja, in the Bengal Tributary Mahals and that is also to figure at Delhi. The animal is believed to be of princely breed, and is worshipped by the Gonds as a personification of Ganesh (the elephant-headed God of Wisdom) himself.

THE Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, according to Mr. Martin Harvey, has seen The "Only Way" 100 times just for the sake of the tribunal speech in the third act.

The following notice is inscribed above the door of a shop in a North Wales village:—Coblar dealr in Bacco Shag and Pig Bacon and Gingarbred Eggs laid every morning by me, and very good Paradise, in the summer Gentlemen and Lady can have goo Tae and Crumpets, and Straw bery with a scim milk, because I can't get no cream. N. B., shuse and Boots meded very well."

AUSTRALIAN papers inform us that friends of Mr. Kruger have offered to go bail in the sums of £100,000 each for his good behaviour if he is allowed to return to South Africa; Mr. Kruger is not now required in British South Africa, he is too old to change his opinions, and his hatred of the British is never likely to be eradicated. The day may come when he will be allowed to go back, but he will be some years older before the permission is given to him, if at all.

WITH reference to a recent paragraph on the subject of the King's proposed visit to Ireland, it may be interesting to recall the "Westminster Gazette" points out, that the King has paid in all seven visits to Ireland. In 1848 (when he was made Earl of Dublin, and again in 1853 the accompanied the late Queen and the Prince Consort, in 1858 he was attached to the Grenadier Guards at the Curragh Camp; while he visited the island again in 1864, 1868, 1871, and 1885. His Majesty made his first speech in Ireland in 1853, on the presentation of new colours to the Royal Hiberian School when he was not yet twelve years old.

THOSE who preach physical culture occasional demand rather remarkable performances of their disciples. The man who suggests the following method of "transforming a hollow chest" asks rather a lot: "Standin a coorway, placing the flattened palms of your hands on the casings post at the height of your shoulders. Then, without removing your hands, walk through the door. Do this forty times night and morning. You will be amazed to see how your chest will rise. No doubt. But what becomes of the door? This good man expects his pupil to become a sort of human gimlet. It would be as reasonable to ask us to place one hand upon the wall, another upon the floor, and walk through the roof.

AMONG the numerous "plate" that are given away with Christmas numbers one does not often find one of so much historical interest as that which is presented with the December issue of "The Jacobite." That entertaining monthly informs us that it is "preparing the way for a Restoration by sowing the seeds of loyalty in the land." The seed to which we particularly refer is a process-photograph of "His Royal Highness Prince Charles, Son and Heir of their Royal Highness the de jure Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and Rothesay." He is, if one may be pardoned the uncourtly expression, a baby, and is shown sitting up in a well-appointed cradle. He is, so far as we are able to judge, a healthy child, and we could almost swear that we have seen his well-nourished and distinguished person figuring as a testimony to the virtues of some Infant's Food. He does not resemble any of the unfortunate Stuart dynasty whose portraits have come down to us; but he is surprisingly like the majority of babies that one sees. He will, in time, succeed to the proud position of de jure Duke of Cornwall and Rothesay. Perhaps, by the time he has attained to the eminence, the Restoration, with the preparations for which "The Jacobite" is occupied, will be ready to go off.

ALL SORTS OF BOOKS.

THOSE DELIGHTFUL AMERICANS by Mrs. Everard Cotes is what its name indicates, and is in Sara Jeannette Duncan's best vein. It is up to date and still brimful of quaintness and dainty revelations of unexpected turns of thought. One could quote from every page characteristic samples of the writer's fresh presentation of commonplace situations, and still leave an unexhausted mine of gentle wit behind for the reader. A newly married man finds it necessary to go to America about the amalgamation of some company in which he and his mother-in-law are concerned, and the story opens just as he and his wife have broken their intention to her mother:—

"Perhaps it may have been evident that my husband was not particularly "keen," as he would have said about going to America. The only explanation he seemed able to give was that he was very well pleased to stay where he was, unless I deign to add his statement that we should miss our own early peas, and that he did not like depending on John to exercise the horses. These reasons of course merely show how non-reasonable his disinclination was—how purely based on temperament and flavoured with insularity. That seems a severe word to use about one's husband, but if one interprets it as attachment to one's island, it is only a virtue somewhat over-developed. I, too, am attached to my island, but not so far as to deny that there may be special attractions in a continent, or to be unenterprising about going to look for them—especially in the Continent of America. One has always heard such piquant things about America. Also I had a fancy that life in an island, even in the island of England, was apt to be too condensed, that there was not space for the accumulation of centuries to diffuse themselves properly, and that we lived in a kind of moral "puree." In America I knew the air would not be so thick, one could see people better. This is simply to explain that Kaye, in representing to his mother that he was crossing the Atlantic from a sense of duty to her, acted with sincerity, while I, in allowing her to think, from all I left unsaid, that I accompanied from a sense of duty to Kaye, dissimulated. I don't know whether I was justified, but it is never expedient to let one's mother-in-law think one enthusiastic about going very far away from her; she imagines things."

Feeling thus about the journey, the experiences of these visitors are, if not too exciting, described in such a way that transfers an exact picture of the divers sorts of Americans they come in contact with. They soon learn the ruling characteristics of the people they travel with and fix them all in their proper niches:—

"Where we should make ourselves miserable and take up subscriptions and call public attention in the newspaper they accept with satisfaction any affliction that has no parallel elsewhere. I have seen this done with blizzards and monopolies, and even Tammany."

The first trouble came when facing the American Customs with their allowance of twenty pounds' worth of new clothes and jewellery suitable to one's station in life, and the scene between the Customs officer and these two most conscientious travellers is instructive. When they had mustered courage to mount a "Cable car" they brought away vivid impressions:—

We were aboard and abroad, dashing through the light and life and circumstances of the streets of New York, to the furious clangour of that anvil-devil under the driver's foot. Cars tore past us raging equally, cars preceded us, cars followed us. Evening graw, as it were, reluctantly upon the uproar, fought back by the flashing electric shop-fronts. The trains were open with seats across and across; I watched the people getting in and out. They had pale faces and dark, shadowy eyes—nowhere the broad red British chop—and an immense look of sophistication, of life, which, nevertheless, sat upon them casually. None of them looked worn or anxious; there were no charwomen in wizened black bonnets getting home with a basket. One should not generalise too much, but I thought I saw an easy satisfaction tinged with cynicism, an immense *sang-froid* about what might happen next in the men, especially the men who smoked cigars and wore pink shirts. The women had clouds of hair about their faces, and looked epitomes of dramatic possibility. They were more pictorial than the men, but they had the same acceptance of the facts of life, with a subtle hint of consciousness of power to mould them."

And yet the conductor addressed the husband of this observant lady without the slightest show of respect, "Get a hustle on!" said he on their entering the car, and going out "Shake a leg," which, if it was not democratic, was nothing. The double idyll that is enacted during the visit is specially American. Verona Adams is supposed to be encouraging Val Ingham, and when invited to confide in the young English matron, admits he has fine eyes:—

He dances well too. I know it's weak of me but I haven't any use for a man that isn't a good dancer."

"Any use for him?" I echoed.

"I mean he doesn't interest me, I think it must be because the spiritual counterpart of the rhythmic sense is lacking, but I don't know. Any way, it's horrid having you knees bumped. Does Lord Bobby dance well?"

And it's Lord Bobby Verona wants to know about, for he had been in the Tirah campaign, and having got a Frontier medal, with two clasps, "he must have killed loads of Tirahs or whatever they are," and Val Ingham cannot compete in this line being an ordinary American, and has to think out, his love affairs with some one else. As far as the original cause for Mr. and Mrs. Kemball going to America forming part of the plot of this story, the reader forgets all about it as much as the writer, there is so much more to be interested in.

HIGH POLICY, by C. F. Keary, is a story of smart society and low morals. The Egeria, who becomes an "inspiration" to a rising young politician, is a very beautiful girl of twenty-seven who was presented at twenty-two, and had thus five years "out." But what this must mean in experience of the ways of worldlings does not prevent her from believing in Mr. Herbert-ffollett's protestations of Platonic devotion. Her own ideas are so exalted that it is impossible for her to imagine that a man so devoted to the good of his country, so whole-souled could have any but the highest motives in meeting her continually, for did they not on every occasion discuss the affairs of the nation from a statesman's point of view, and did he not always declare that she alone understood his highest aspirations? That he had a beautiful young wife whom he apparently worshipped did not open her eyes to the superfluous nature of his admiration for herself. The lovely Cynthia, who started in life with the noblest ideals, is driven to a life of deceit, because she instinctively feels that her own people would not understand her infatuation, though she does not venture to call it by that name. There is much plain speaking as to the manner of living in some of the smartest political sections of society in London, revealing facility with which a young girl may unwittingly run to her own destruction, with no one to reach a helping hand. Cynthia is really no more than imprudent and infatuated, but she suffers quite as much as if she deserved the cold shoulder that society, a little unjustifiably sure of its own respectability, turns on her. C. F. Keary knows his world, and does not shrink from describing the lax views taken of morals in certain sets, or the reckless leaps taken down giddy heights by pleasure-loving men and women. The unlucky heroine's ecstatic admiration for Herbert-ffollett began, of all places, in the Ladies' Gallery of the House of Commons, from which eyrie she had heard him make a fine speech and seen his "beautiful clean shaven face." Meeting him soon after, the attraction proves to be mutual and its strength terrifies while it charms her. There is a lot of political small-talk, scandal, and an under current of company-promoting that shows how the political strings get pulled by men that are none the clean-handed though they talk loftily of serving the country and serving her alone. The budding statesman is represented as "constantly finding wonder occasions for playing agreeably with lump sum since he made the acquaintance of a certain Ber Hincks who manages to get the Bills he wants through Parliament. "High Policy" is a daring but mel choly picture of what one would be glad to th existed only in the brain of the novelist.

THE DIARY OF A GOOSE GIRL, and A CAT DRAL COURTSHIP, illustrated, are two fascinat stories by Mrs. Wiggin. The poultry yard is tr ed in humorous fashion, and the virtues vices of hens, cocks, ducks, and geese laid b by the young girl who runs away from a fashi able Hydro to lead a rustic life in a retired fa house. And there the feathered tribe claimed attentions. As she says:—

"A Goose Girl, like a poet, is sometimes b sometimes otherwise. I am of the born vari No training was necessary. I put my head on pillow as a complicated product of modern c ilisation on a Tuesday night and on a Wednes morning I awoke as a Goose Girl. . . . One le to be modest by living on a poultry farm, there are constant expositions of the deplorable vanity amongst the cocks. We h a couple of pea-fowl who certainly are an addi to the landscape, as they step mincingly along square of turf we dignify by the name of lawn. head of the house has a most languid and self-c cious strut, and his microscopic mind is fixed en ly on his splendid trailing tail. If I could master his language sufficiently to tell him hideously ugly the back view of this gorgeou is, when he spreads it for the edification of observer in front of him, he would of course that there is a congregation side to everything. I should at least force him into a defen his tail and a confession of its limitations."

The Goose Girl's idea of an ordinary barn cock is not much better. She dislikes him.

"His swagger, his autocratic strut, his his irritating self-consciousness, his endless par of himself up and down as an endless processi one. Of course his character is largely the of polygamy. His weaknesses are only what be expected; and as for the hens I have co able respect for the patience, sobriety, and d with which they endure an institution partic offensive to all women. In their case they ha even the sustaining thought of its being an of religion, so they are to be compliment more."

The "Cathedral Courtship" is a expanded edition of a pretty tale that appeare with "Penelope's English Experiences."

TELEGRAMS.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

WEST AFRICA.

DEATH OF THE MIR OF SOKOTO.

LONDON, JANUARY 1.

The Mir of Sokoto, a great religious centre in Haussaland, is dead. The new Emir is more friendly to the British.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, JANUARY 2.

The London correspondent of the "Pioneer" telegraphed yesterday :—

It is reported that the Mir of Sokoto died in October, and that his successor is more friendly towards English.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

THE KANO EXPEDITION.

LONDON, JANUARY 1.

Colonel Lugard is pressing forward the preparations for the expedition against the Emir of Kano. The expedition will be the largest and most important yet undertaken in northern Nigeria.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

ALLAHABAD, JANUARY 2.

The London correspondent of the "Pioneer" telegraphed yesterday :—

The Emir of Kano is sending menacing letters to Captain Abadie, British Resident at Zaria, and has placed a price on Captain Abadie's head. General Lugard has decided to meet the situation by organizing an expedition to advance forthwith.

(THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.)

TRANSVAAL BUDGET.

LONDON, JANUARY 1.

The first Budget of the Transvaal Colony estimates the revenue at four millions and the expenditure at three and three-quarter millions.

MOROCCO.

ALL LEAVE STOPPED.

A number of French warships are being held in readiness at Toulon to proceed to Morocco. Al New Year leave is stopped.

The garrisons along the Algerian Frontier are being strengthened.

The northern tribes are ignoring the Sultan's orders to send reinforcements.

COUNT LAMSDORFF.

Count Lamsdorff has returned to St. Petersburg.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN IN SOUTH AFRICA.

SPEECH AT LADYSMITH.

A thunderstorm and torrential rain prevented Mr. Chamberlain and his party visiting the battlefields. They only drove to the foot of Hlangwane and returned to Colenso. Thence they proceeded to Ladysmith.

LONDON, JANUARY 2.

Mr. Chamberlain, speaking at Ladysmith, referred to the tragic yet glorious memory of the siege. He hoped that peace would be permanent and lasting, and that our former enemy would be ready to grasp the hand extended to them. He paid a three hours' visit to Wagon Hill and Caesar's Camp.

NEWSPAPER COMMENT ON THE DURBAR.

Newspapers dwell on the profound and wide reaching significance of the Durbar and the splendour of the surroundings. They say Lord Curzon is to be most heartily congratulated on the wonderful success of the colossal project.

The "Standard" says that Lord Curzon's speech is an admirable combination of ceremonial grace and statesmanlike gravity.

The "Times" says Lord Curzon's reward will not be long delayed.

THE MAILS.

LONDON, JANUARY 1.

The Bombay Mails of the 20th ultimo arrived at Brindisi to-day.

MR. KIPLING AND GERMANY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

CALCUTTA, JANUARY 2.

A telegram to the "Englishman," dated London, the 31st ult., says :—Mr. Paul Block, in some verses, published in the "Berliner Tageblatt" answers Mr Rudyard Kipling's poem. He bids Germany abandon the ill-will which is estranging her from England and calls upon her to ignore the Indian drummer.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

Mr. Shields, the electrician and his assistant embarked on the R. I. M. S. Guide to-day, to experiment in wireless telegraphy between the brig at Sandheads and Saugor Island.

TRANSATLANTIC TELEGRAPH RATES.

The London correspondent of the "Pioneer" telegraphs :—

The rate for Transatlantic marconigrams has been fixed at five pence a word.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

CALCUTTA, JANUARY 2.

Major Melville Walker, R. A., of the Bombay Volunteer Artillery, is appointed Major, to complete the establishment.

2nd Battalion Bombay, Baroda, and Central India Railway Volunteers.—The following appointments are made with effect from the 1st November, 1902:—Edward Charles Lloyd, Gentleman, to be Second-Lieutenant, vice Cooke, promoted. Albert Kockcraf, Gentleman, to be Second-Lieutenant, vice LaTouche, promoted. Frederic James Hume Sievwright, Gentleman, to be Second-Lieutenant, vice Anderson, promoted. Hubert Francis Danbury Burke, Gentleman, to be Second-Lieutenant, vice Danby, promoted. George Edwin Robert Weatherdon, Gentleman, to be Second-Lieutenant, vice Arnould, transferred to the 1st Battalion. Wilford Ward Bulkley, Gentleman, to be Second-Lieutenant, vice Howsin, transferred to the 1st Battalion.

A Squadron of the 6th Bengal Cavalry arrived at Calcutta by train on Thursday in relief of the 14th Bengal Lancers quartered at Calcutta.

Colonel L. W. Parsons, R. A., has been selected to succeed Major-General Tyler as Inspector-General of Artillery in India. He was in command of Sir Redvers Buller's Artillery in Natal, and is now Colonel on the Staff, Royal Artillery at Salisbury.

The 2nd Sikhs, who are now on their way to Somaliland, are taking two Maxim guns with them. A gun detachment will be formed from among the men of the regiment. The Bikanir Camel Corps will embark at Bombay for Obbia on the 5th January, the steamer Ram having been chartered to convey them. The transport Ikhana will take a field hospital to Obbia.

WITH regard to the age of vessels, the following statement, made in the current "Fairplay," will be interesting to Morgan shareholders : "It is notorious that many, if not most of the White Star boats, are out of date, eleven being over ten years old, including five of over seventeen years, two being of the venerable age of twenty-eight ; and good and sound as they no doubt are, they may be regarded as practically unsaleable. As assets, therefore, against loans they are intrinsically worthless ; but still the new loans are there, and the earnings of the vessels will have to be more and more drained to provide the interest, and to renew and replace the fleet."

THE DELHI CORONATION.

STATE DINNER BY THE VICEROY.

HIS EXCELLENCY'S SPEECH.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.)

DELHI, PRESS CAMP, JANUARY 2.

This afternoon a reception of the Indian officers and guests other than Princes was held in the Exhibition buildings. His Excellency was accompanied by the Duke and Duchess of Connaught and Lady Curzon. The various notabilities were introduced to the Viceroy and their Royal Highnesses by officials from each province. The Bombay guests were introduced by Lord Northcote who had previously gone round to greet them, accompanied by Lady Northcote ; Mr. Edgerley, Secretary, Political Department, Bombay ; and Mr. Hill, Private Secretary to the Governor.

To-night there is a great display of fire-works on the maidan in front of the Jumma Masjid.

DELHI, CENTRAL CAMP, JANUARY 2.

At the State banquet last night, his Excellency the Viceroy entertained his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught and a large and distinguished company. His Excellency, in proposing the toast of the King-Emperor, spoke as follows :—

Your Royal Highness, your Excellencies, my Lords, and Gentlemen,—I rise to propose the health of his Majesty the King-Emperor of India. This afternoon we carried through, I hope with success—(cheers)—the great ceremony that had been devised for the celebration of his Majesty's Coronation in this country, and the spectacle was one that must have stirred the hearts of every beholders. (Cheers.) It brought home to every European or Indian inhabitants of this land the vivid reality of the constitution under which we live, and by which a far away and invisible mainsping guides with restless energy and power every movement of this vast political machine, and I hope that it may also have impressed our various illustrious visitors and guests with the conviction that this Indian possession of his Majesty is no more a dead-weight tied on to the heels of the British, Empire, but a dominion, a continent, an empire by itself, rich in its own personality and memories, self-confident in its own strength, and aglow with abundant potentialities for the future—(loud cheers)—to the King of the United Kingdom and of the British Possessions beyond the Seas is a great and noble title. But to be Emperor of India is in no respect less and is in some respects greater—(cheers)—for powerful empires existed and flourished here while Englishmen were still wandering, painted in the woods, and when the British Colonies were wilderness and jungle, and India has left a deeper mark upon the history, the philosophy, and the religion of mankind than any other teritorial universe. (Cheers.) That a British Sovereign should in the fulness of time have been able to do what no predecessor of his have accomplished, what Alexander never dreamed of, what Akbar never performed, namely, to pacify, unify, and consolidate this great mass into a single, homogeneous whole, is, in my judgment, the most impressive phenomenon in history and the greatest wonder of the modern world. (Cheers.)

Your Royal Highness, your Excellencies, and Gentlemen, I venture to say that but one regret has filled all our minds here today. It is that his Majesty the King-Emperor has not been able to be present here in person to receive the homage of his loyal feudatories and the acclamations of his Indian people. (Cheers.) There is, indeed, no necessity for an Emperor of India to come out here to be crowned. His Majesty was our acknowledged and Sovereign Lord as soon as the throne was vacant nearly two years ago. But India would dearly have loved to see the face of her Emperor and to listen to his voice, and some day we may hope that as time and distance continue to dwindle under the magic finger of science, it may be found possible for the victory on every future occasion like the present to be eliminated as a superfluous phantom—(laughter)—and for the real figure to appear upon the scene. (Cheers.) However that may be, we are met here in honour of a Sovereign who, though he may be absent in person, is with us in spirit, and whose Royal message which I had the privilege of reading this afternoon shows how proud he is of the allegiance and how devoted to the interests of his Indian people. (Cheers.) At the Durbar it was my duty to address more particularly the various classes of his Majesty's feudatories and subjects who had assembled to render him their homage and to listen to his words. But the presence at this table here to-night of so many illustrious representatives of Foreign Powers and of eminent persons from all quarters of the globe enables me to point to the fact that the possession of India draws with it other and outside responsibilities, and brings us into relation—I am glad to say peaceful and amicable relation—with all the powers and principalitis of the East. We are honoured here by the company of a distinguished representative of the great and allied empire of Japan—(loud cheers)—and by an envoy from that enlightened monarch the King of Siam—(cheers)—and at our Durbar there were present to-day the envoys or reprsentatives of our friend and ally the Amir of Afghanistan—(cheers)—of the friendly Kingdom of Nepal, and of the Sultan of Muscat. Among our guests are the Governors-General of the Indian Possession of two powerful and allied nations—France and Portugal—with whom our relations are those of unbroken peacefulness and concord. (Cheers.) Further, there have appeared for the first time at a gathering such as this representatives of those British Colonies beyond the Seas—Australian and South African—whose star is destined to rise ever higher and higher, and whose governments, as time passes on, must be brought into still closer connection with our own. (Cheers.) Finally we have here prominent members of the Imperial Legislature of the British Lords and Commons, who have journeyed across the ocean to join hands with us in this great ceremonial. (Applause.) I think I am entitled, therefore, to claim that it is no mere local celebration that a great and Imperial solemnity of far-reaching interest and application that have been enacting today, and it is before an audience that is typical of all that is best in the British Empire, of our established dominions in Asia, of the friendly sentiments of our neighbours, and of the sympathetic regards of our own kith and kin across the seas that I now propose my toast. (Loud Cheers.) I give you all gentlemen, with feelings of profound respect of devotion and of enthusiasm the health of his Majesty the King-Emperor of India. (Loud and continued cheers.)

The toast was drunk with all honours.

The Viceroy then rose to propose the health of his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught. His Excellency said:—

Your Royal Highness, your Excellencies, my Lords, and Gentlemen,—There is only one other toast that I shall present to you this evening. I said just now how greatly his Majesty the King-Emperor had regretted that he could not be present here in person at the celebration of his own Coronation; but as this was impossible his Majesty took the one step, that had there been a plebiscite on the subject in India we should all have voted for unanimously—(loud applause)—namely, he deputed a member of the Royal family, a near relative of his own, to represent his family on this occasion, and the Prince and Princess of Wales finding it impossible to visit India in the present winter—though we hope that is an honour only for a little while delayed—his Majesty's choice fell upon his Royal brother, the Duke of Connaught—(loud cheers)—whose presence at the ceremony to-day, and here again to-night, is regarded by all of us with quite exceptional pleasure and delight. (Cheers.) These are our feelings. We regard his Royal Highness's visit as testifying in the most unmistakeable way to the attitude and interest of the Sovereign, and also because there is no Prince. I might go further and say no officer, for after all his Royal Highness has been one of ourselves and has served the Crown in India—(cheers)—who has more endeared himself to the people of all classes in this country, to soldiers and civilians, to Europeans and natives, than his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught. (Loud cheers.) He comes back to us, therefore, not merely as the delegate of our illustrious Sovereign but as the old friend whom all India reveres and loves—(cheers)—and if I may be permitted to diverge for one moment from the strict track of my toast I would add that these sentiments on our part are enhanced by the knowledge that his Royal Highness has brought with him the gracious Princess whose popularity in India is not second even to his own. May I also say, though it is not perhaps absolutely Germane to my toast, with what pleasure we see here another member of the Royal family, his Royal Highness the Grand Duke of Hesse, himself a reigning Sovereign and a grandson of our late Queen, who has honoured us by joining our company, and whose presence is a compliment and a delight to us all. (Loud cheers.) And now to revert to the subject of my toast. I hope that his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught will carry away to his Majesty the King a favourable impression of the prosperity and loyalty of his great Indian dominion. I can assure him that we regard it as the highest honour that he should have come out to be with us on this momentous occasion. (Cheers.) When our Delhi functions are over we hope to arrange for him a pleasant tour through the scenes and among the people to whom he is so much attached ; and when he sails away from our shores I hope that India will always keep the firm and agreeable resting-place in his memory that the Duchess and he already occupy, and will by their present visit confirm in the affections of Europeans and Indians alike in this country. (Loud cheers.) Gentlemen, I ask you to join with me in drinking the good health, pleasant journey, and safe return of our illustrious guest, his Royal Highness the Duke of Connaught. (Loud applause.)

The toast was drunk with enthusiasm.

His Royal Highness who, on rising to respond to the toast, was very warmly received, said :—

Your Excellencies, our Royal Highness, my Lords, and Gentlemen,—I am indeed very sensible of the very kind manner in which you have proposed my health on this great and auspicious day. I can assure you that it was a great pleasure and satisfaction to myself when his Majesty the King informed me that it was his wish to send me out to India for the Coronation Durbar to represent his own family. (Cheers.) I never expected that I should have such good fortune. My soldiering days now are cast in a very different climate. Ireland is a very different place from India, and Dublin is a very different place from Delhi—(laughter)—and I was never more astonished than I was on being told that I should come out to India again. It is a great pleasure to me to come again to a country to which anybody at all interested and having served the Crown in it must feel deeply attached. There is also the feeling—I must say a somewhat sorrowful one—that when I was here before I had the good fortune to serve under three Viceroys and two Commanders-in-Chief, and that now I am no longer connected with India except in my heart. (Loud cheers.) But I think it requires very little assurance from me that I do and always shall take the very deepest interest in everything that affects the happiness and prosperity and greatness of his Majesty's Indian Empire. (Cheers.) I have many friends here, both British and natives—(cheers)—and to see them again, to see them well and getting on in the world, is a great satisfaction to me ; and what especially gives me pleasure is to meet the Native Army once again. (Cheers.) As you know, Sir, I was first connected with the Bengal Army, as it was then in this command, the Meerut Division, and with that of the Rawalpindi Division, and then for nearly four years I had the command of the Bombay Army, and, therefore, I may say that my interests are Indian and not confined to one Presidency or another. But during the twelve years that I have been in India the whole of the forces have taken their share in the defence of our frontiers and of our interests both in India and beyond the seas, and I am happy to think that whether it was in South Africa, whether it was in China, or whether it was on the frontiers of India, every branch of the Indian Army has known how to maintain its reputation for which, I can say with confidence, that the Indian Army is respected by the armies of all other nations. (Loud cheers.) It is a bad day for any army when it does not get the chance of active service, and it would be especially so for the Indian Army if they were to be locked up year after year. However, this is a slight digression from the toast. May I be allowed to say for the Duchess of Connaught that she equally with myself rejoices to be again in India, and that she was very proud to be present at the ceremony of to-day, and may I also, with reference to your Excellency's remarks about my nephew, say how highly he appreciates the pleasure of visiting India and of being your guest, and further may I, on this New Year's day, tell you, Lord Curzon, how grateful we all are for your great hospitality and for the very kind and cordial welcome you have given us. I thank you all, gentlemen, for the kind manner in which you have drunk my health. (Loud cheers.)

INTERNATIONAL POLO.

DELHI, PRESS CAMP, JANUARY 2.

In the International Polo ties this evening Ulwar beat the Imperial Cadets by seven goals and three subsidiaries to one subsidiary. The 4th Dragoon Guards defeated the 15th Hussars by four goals and four subsidiaries to two goals and three subsidiaries.

The 9th Lancers are furnishing one squadron as a personal escort to the Duke of Connaught at the Durbar Camp.

CRICKET AT MADRAS.

M. C. C. vs. M. U. C. C.

HEAVY DEFEAT OF THE M. C. C.

MADRAS, JANUARY 2.

The Madras Cricket Club, though included several members of the Bath that accomplished a noteworthy performance against Ceylon early this week, met with a crushing defeat on Wednesday and Thursday from the Madras United Cricket Club. The latter won the toss and compiled 278 runs towards which Buchi Babu made 58, Chetty 46, Balakrishna 47 not out, and six others double figures. King, with three wickets for 39 runs, was the most successful bowler.

The Madras Cricket Club were all out for 113 runs in the first innings and 128 in the second innings. Rooke and Sapper from Ceylon made 23 and 36 and Burd 12 and 63. The latter under the circumstances played a very fine innings.

S. V. Chetty's bowling figures are phenomenal—10 wickets for 55 runs.

The Madras United Club thus won by an innings and 37 runs.

THE SOMALILAND EXPEDITION.

THE hired transport Nowshera, Captain E. R. Robinson, sailed yesterday for Obbia, taking on board the 2nd Sikhs, consisting of 11 British officers, 15 Native officers, 702 non-commissioned officers and men, 68 public and 36 private followers, 13 chargers, 16 mules, and 8 ponies. Besides the above the Nowshera carrried No. 15 British Field Hospital, comprising 1 officer, 4 non-commissioned officers and men, one storekeeper, one agent, 50 public and three private followers. The above were brought to Bombay in two special troop trains arriving at the Prince's Dock at 6 and 7 a.m., respectively. The men were immediately detrained as the trains arrived and fatigue parties were detailed for duty to unload the baggage and kit. The work of shipping the baggage on board was carried out expeditiously by the Port Trust authorities. The embarkation was supervised by the officers of the District Staff. The men prior to their going on board fell in for medical examination, which was carried by the Health Officer of the Port, then the men embarked on board. Everything was completed before noon, and the transport left the dock and proceeded on her voyage. The following are the names of the officers :—Major Davidson, Captain A. H. Eustace ; Captain Forster, Captains C. P. Wynter and R. S. Phillips, Lieutenant C. G. Ames, Lieutenant W. F. C. Gilchrist, Lieutenants C. Prissick and A. W. H M. Morus, and Lieut.-Col. J. W. Rogers, I. M S. The transport Ikhona is timed to sail on the 4th instant with Field Hospitals and the transport Ranee conveys he Bikanir Camel, Corps, sailing from here on the 5th instant. The Ranee has entered the Prince's Dock where the work of fitting her up as a transport is rapidly being carried out by the Dockyard authorities.

THE BOMBAY SERVICES.

THE Honourable Mr. J. Pollen, B.A., LL.D., Barrister-at-Law, I.C.S., is granted privilege leave of absence for one month and twenty-two days in combination with special leave on urgent private affairs for four months and eight days.

Mr. C. Gulland, Assistant Engineer, Second Grade, passed on the 15th December an examination in Sindhi.

PASSENGERS BY THE HOMEWARD MAIL.

THE following passengers are booked to proceed to-day by the P. and O. Company's steamer Arabia to Marseilles and London :—

Smith, Mr and Mrs W E and 2 Misses
Hunt, Mrs
Parke, Mrs A C and Miss
Stewart, Mr H A
De Vaswani Mr and Mrs P and Valot
Surafali, Mr Mahomedali
Parkin, Lieut A B
Black, Capt and Mrs H S
Whitchurch, Lieut L S
Fitzgerald, Mr and Mrs C G
Irwinge, Mr Kurio

WOMEN'S INTERESTS.

STYLE versus MATERIAL.

THE EVENING SACQUE.

INTELLECT AND DRESS.

(FROM OUR LADY CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, DECEMBER 12.

ONCE upon a time the material of a costume—what we may call the brickwork of the building—was the most important point in its economy. It was the first point to be settled. Now, it is the scheme of the frock of which we think as the first consideration, settling afterwards in what fabric the idea will present itself. When we want a black evening frock, we first settle that it shall be black ; next, the spirit in which it shall be carried out ; and, then, lastly, the fabric and its agreement with the accessories. Indeed, the Paris model-maker will often design a frock simply to exploit some set of embroideries or laces. Gowns to-day represent ideas rather than the something wherewith we are clothed ; and of course there is danger in both directions, for neither point of view is safe from forgetting that the frock and the wearer must be in harmony. One notices also that it is less a custom to ask what fabric is worn than it used to be, and at the headquarters of inspiration there is very little of "Thou shalt" or "Thou shalt not" in the matter of material. At Paquin's, for example, one meets materials of every kind. It is entirely a question of what fabric suits the scheme of the frock, what will be the best medium for its expression, and to this end there must be no restriction of choice. We should soon be crippled in our language were it decreed that only certain adjectives or terms had a current value ; and imagine a painter with his mysterious potterings on the palette deprived of his full range of pigments ! The designing of frocks is becoming more and more a matter of mind ; and just as a student may degenerate into a blue-stocking, so some dress-designers become quite as blue in their apparently frivolous occupation, and consequently lose breadth of view and the sense of relative values.

A very clever creator, an Englishwoman works, only for a month or so at a time, spending two or three months between each period of activity away from her atelier ; but in scenes where her artistic soul is being constantly nourished by inspiring impressions and with a mind ever conscious of its peculiar province. We may say that the value of fabrics is entirely a relative matter from the designer's point of view, though the beauty of rich and beautiful fabrics is conceded all the same. Once the main fabric of a design is settled the elements we bring to it as accessories are not also necessarily costly. The prettiest sealskin coat seen this winter was one at Paquin's in which a simple black military braid was used with delightful effect, in conjunction with dull gold buttons (Art Nouveau) and a little collar and waistcoat in which blue and green were blended, giving an attractive iridescent impression. There was a lovely bluey iridescent effect in one of the frocks Paquin made for Mrs. Langtry to wear at the command performance last Monday. It was attained by blue chiffon over panne and black Chantilly lace sleeves, and, with some delicate jet embroidering on the chiffon, was a very memorable frock. Another frock of pink voile, pink Chantilly lace and little mousseline roses was a wonderfully dainty vision, and very "Paquin" ; and there was another thing, a teagown, pale blue satiny crepe de Chine, that had Alencon laces and pale blue chiffon in its making—also very "Paquin." At Paquin's one is more than anywhere else impressed by the subservience of fabric to design, and therefore one always finds there "the unexpected."

The dainty evening sacque, like that becoming garment the tea gown has brought about a welcome change in the demi-toilette of the present day. The woman who comes in perhaps wearied after a long day's shopping, no longer has to make a great effort to brace, and too often to lace herself up, before she can get into her smart but uncomfortably tight dinner gown. As we all nowadays have an increasing regard for our comforts, above all things, we no longer regard the eighteen-inch waist as a covetable possession. Fortunately the present fashionable straight fronted corset aims at producing an appearance of straightness and slenderness to the figure more than any marked line of demarcation at the waist. Our smartest clothes no longer have to fit like a skin, but have taken unto themselves loose, gracefully flowing lines. What, for example, could be imagined more comfortable than the dainty evening sacque which is worn so much to-day ? One style is prettily made of ecru lace and chiffon over scarlet taffeta. The front is finished with a scarlet chiffon choux bow, with long ends passed through the lace and drawn in at the waist. These "coffee" sacques are so easy to put on and so comfortable to wear, that they are very much in fashion now for small dinner parties, or for restaurant dinners. They are usually made of ficelle lace, or of accordion crepe de chine, chiffon or brilliant. The only drawback to crepe de chine is that it is apt to look rather heavy. Chiffon is perhaps the prettiest material for the evening sacque, but, on the other hand, where economy is to be considered, brilliant looks almost as becoming and wears much longer. The soft silk slips worn with the sacque are trimmed with tucks and insertions of lace. These slips cost much if ready made, but this is quite an unnecessary extravagance, as they are so easy to make at home.

There was a day not so very long gone by when the clever woman was not supposed to be the well-dressed, well-groomed one. If a woman was strong-minded she was supposed to be blousey in costume. If she had a great intellect she was usually set down as careless in looks, and professional women were not even supposed to know what the word "fashion" meant. Nowadays this is disproved. Go to any meeting in which women speak or put in an appearance at a woman's club where the majority of the fair sex are doing something in the world of literature or art and you will see that in the matter of fashion and style they are able to hold their own with the most feather-headed butterfly of fashion. They bring their common sense, their knowledge of the world, and the income their wits provide them to bear on dress, and so many of them have acquired the subtle art of putting on clothes virtues which the Parisiennes and Viennese have claimed for their own. Moreover, they are acquiring what the best bred women only did acquire at one time—the art of knowing when to wear their clothes ; in fact, the suitability of raiment. It is not a difficult task to dress becomingly with a pretty face and agood figure; but one of the features of our day is that the modern woman seems to have the power of making herself good-looking, or at all events, of looking well. The art of dressing is to render a squat figure lithe in appearance, at all events, and the over-tall woman of moderate height and short one of fair stature. Unhappily, there are more women who can spend a great deal of money on dress than know when and what to wear and how to put on their clothes. They introduce their jewellery at the wrong time, and too much of it. Happily women are no longer hung in chains (not the fashionable ones), but it is more chic to appear with some antique ornament that goes with the texture and style of the gown than to be a blaze of diamonds. Jewellery, bodice bouquets, ties, and such addenda require more attention often than the choosing of the dress itself.

Devoted as we have all of us been for a long time past to gowns with tight-fitting, sheath-like skirts, we must confess, nevertheless, that there is a great charm about the softly flowing lines that are inseparable from those fine pleats at the sides and the back, which are seen to such great advantage in many of the newest skirts. Naturally, these narrow pleats are most successful in the case of fine, soft materials, such as crepe de chine, chiffon, or mousseline de soie. In fact, many of the newest evening gowns carried out in these delicate fabrics have fine pleats right round the skirt below a waistband and buckle drawn down to the usual long point in front. Skilfully arranged, this kind of belt has a most becoming effect, since it seems to force the pleats or gathers, as the case may be, into radiating lines, that curve away gracefully right and left of the figure. More than twelve months ago a famous French modiste tried his best to bring back these pleated skirts to favour, but Englishwomen are almost foolishly conservative in matters of dress, and they would have none of them. They clung persistently to their tight skirts, and it is only by slow degrees that they have been brought to allow themselves a little fulness here and there, as an introduction to the elaborate pleats and gathers of the immediate future. In the matter of evening gowns, in Paris these full skirts have long been an accomplished and a graceful fact. As a case in point, we may mention a lovely gown in pale pink chiffon over satin of the same shade. This gown has really two chiffon skirts, one worn above the other.

Amongst the various privileges which women must envy men is the fact that a man can have a wife ! The support and comfort that a good wife can be to her husband is something beyond any help that a husband, however devoted, can render to a woman. The domestic care that keeps off the petty worries and grubby annoyances of life, and leaves the time at leisure and the spirits free for the serious affairs of the mind and for active work, must be of incalculable value. But more precious still must be the true wife's admiring sympathy and wholehearted interest in one's efforts, the unquestioning partisanship that stands by one faithfully, and applauds or consoles as circumstances require, and does not too closely ask how far the sympathy is grounded on desert and justified by real facts. This atmosphere of loyal love that so many men find in their home because of wifely sympathy must indeed be balm of Gilead. Such a place of restoration, in which to preen the wings and tend the wounds, indeed, should the home be to the worker who has to face the wearying world ; rest, peace, refreshment, counsel, even blame at need, given in love and not in spite or wrath, a conviction that here at least he is the most important and most valued personage that the whole world contains, a continual sense of being deliberately cared for both physically and mentally—this is what the worker should find in the home. But the woman who works outside its walls needs this domestic help and support as much as the man. And how few of us find it—how many men enjoy it—alas, the difference. Of course, one is not professing to suppose that there are not many unhelpful wives. In truth, we have often been painfully struck with the utter idleness, and with the apparent unconsciousness, of their owing their families any duties, shown by some merely domestic married women. Worse than that, of course, may be the case. A man of high aims and strenuous life may have occasion to say, like King Arthur to Guinevere, "And all this throve until I wedded thee, Believing, lo ! mine helpmate, one to feel My purpose, and rejoicing in my joy... But the loathsome opposite Of all my heart had destined did obtain, And all through thee" But we are not speaking of bad wives or of bad husbands. We mean only that the average good husband seems both less able and less prepared to recognise and assist superior talents in a wife, and to aid in their development and usefulness, than the average good wife is with regard to her husband in a similar case. We can recall but three instances of eminent women who had such help from their husbands—help by pride in their work and by any possible aid in doing it—that one can place against a hundred that one could give of men so helped. The three lucky wives were Queen Victoria, Mary Somerville, the famous mathematician and astronomer, and "George Elliot." Each of those women had a husband who was content to appear as the wife's helpmate before the world in the same sense in which hundreds of men have found women willing to be just "Mr. Dash's wife."

With the theatres in running order and theatre parties the most popular form of amusement, one's thoughts naturally turn to late suppers. New recipes are always welcome, so here are a few suggestions :—

Anchovy Eggs.—Mix together the yolks and whites of five eggs, one tablespoonful of butter, four of cream. Season with salt and pepper. Put this in the pan, and let it slowly thicken. In the meantime prepare thin slices of buttered toast by spreading upon them anchovies from which the backs and heads have been removed. When these are ready pour over them the hot sauce and serve at once.

Curried Oysters.—Drain thoroughly and set aside one quart of oysters. Blend carefully one-half teacupful of butter, one tablespoonful of curry powder, one teaspoonful of corn-flour, four tablespoonfuls of liquor from the oysters, and one teaspoonful of scraped onion. Heat this in a pan and slowly add two-thirds of a teacupful of cream, with which has been mixed a little salt. Stir until smooth, add the oysters, cook five minutes and serve.

Chicken with Mushrooms.—Cut into small pieces the white meat of a cold boiled chicken. Into the pan put one teacupful of milk and one of chicken broth. When thoroughly heated add two teaspoonfuls of corn-flour which has been well blended with half a cup of butter. Then slowly add the beaten yolks of three eggs. When the sauce is smooth add the chicken and a can of mushrooms. Season with pepper, salt, and a little fine-cut celery.

Devilled Bones.—Take the drumsticks, wings, side bones, in fact, whatever is left of a chicken or turkey which has been served the day before. In your pan place two teaspoonfuls of butter, four teaspoonfuls of tomato sauce, two tablespoonfuls of Worcestershire sauce, one tablespoonful of mushroom ketchup, and one teaspoonful of dry mustard. Mix butter and sauces with a little salt in the pan. Then add the bones, in which you have cut little gashes. Turn them constantly until the sauce has been nearly absorbed and it begins to scorch.

A Good Rarebit.—Into a small cup of milk stir the yolks of two well-beaten eggs. Mix smoothly and put in the pan. Then add a tablespoonful of butter, a glass of sherry, salt, and cayenne pepper. Stir into this one pound of broken cheese, cook for five minutes, and serve on hot toast.

CYCLING AT HOME.

LONDON, DECEMBER 12.

If a suitable course can be discovered and the powers that be are induced to suspend certain clauses in the Light Locomotives Act, then the great motor race for the Gordon-Bennett trophy will be decided in Ireland. The course must be about 400 miles in length, and if a route can be found, the Automobile Club intend approaching the local authorities to find out whether they would have any objection to the race being held early in the mornings. They also intend serving a notice on all householders along the line of route as well as posting up warning notices for road users. Considering that such a race would leave at least £20,000 in the country, one would not think the local authorities would put obstacles in the way. Apart from the good that would accrue to Ireland, the race would arouse enormous interest in motoring, and the home trade would undoubtedly benefit thereby.

At the annual general meeting of the Touring Club de France held recently in Paris, some 3,000 members assembled to hear the statement as to the club's position. The information that it now possessed a membership of 77,000, and that the balance in hand was a substantial one, was the signal for loud applause. President M. Ballif was re-elected.

The record for a mile in the Alexandra Park Velodrome is 2 min. 5 sec., which is held by Rutt, the German rider, the previous best being 2 min. 6 1.5 sec., done by the same rider. The fastest time for a mile ridden on a motor bicycle is 1 min. 52 3-5 secs., made by F. W. Chase. The track is twelve laps to the mile, and is banked up to 10 ft. 6in.

One afternoon recently, there alighted from a much ladened bicycle, a Japanese at the busy Mansion House crossing, who enquired of a policeman the way to the Japanese Consul. He was H. Nakanura, of Shimonoseki, and was carrying out a cycle tour round the world, which he had undertaken with the object of discovering the difficulties of travel, and what prospects there were for his poorer countrymen to emigrate. So far he has visited Shanghai, Singapore, Rangoon, and across India to to Bombay. From Naples he rode to Paris, crossing over to England, and then proceeding to New York. During his tour he has experienced many exciting incidents, wild beasts being a continual trouble during the earlier stages of the tour. He gives a story of having killed a wolf with his fist, and in way of confirmation exhibits a wolf's tail and scars on his hands. Altogether he has had a rough time, but the worst is over now.

Some of the corporations and district councils want pulling up with a jerk, and have forcibly impressed upon them their duties with regard to the up-keep of the roads under their control. Highways should be kept in such a state of repair that users run no risk of meeting with accidents, but very often this is not the case. Roads in a good enough state for horse drawn traffic, might be dangerous to cyclists, and as the latter class is quite as numerous, and each have equal rights to use the roads, the standard that the road authorities should work upon, ought to be one ensuring safety to users of the frailer vehicle. An instance of the apparent shortcomings of a corporation comes from Birmingham, where a county court judge, referring to a road where a cycling accident had occurred, remarked : "That is where all the accidents happen. If it goes on I must instruct the police to erect a warning board to wheelmen."

A member of the Bristol police force in his zeal to effect a capture, has overstepped the limits of his powers, and received a rebuke from the chairman of the bench. It arose out of a charge of furious riding which the policeman brought against a cyclist. Evidence showed that the defendant was riding down Redland Hill at a high rate of speed on a brakeless machine, and that the policeman seized hold of him and pulled him off. The Chairman said he could quite understand that the police wanted to prevent the defendant getting away, but if he did get away his punishment would be greater when brought to justice. The policeman should not have pulled him off. It was a dangerous practice, and he hoped it would be stopped.

The support received by the proprietors of the new Velodrome at the Alexandra Palace, had so far been very satisfactory, the spectators being attracted by the first class team of professionals racing there. On the evening when Chase was matched against Jacquelin the attendance was exceptionally good, and the pursuit race between these two ricers was one of the finest seen for many a day. The first test between these two giants of the wheel was a time trial against the watch over a distance of a mile, Jacquelin winning by 4secs. The second test took the form of a pursuit race, which created immense enthusiasm amongst the spectators, who cheered and cheered again as the men in turn gained the lead. After having covered 111 laps—about eight miles—Jacquelin succeeded in wearing down Chase, winning a grand match in 19min. 20 3 4 secs. The only Englishman who appears to be able to hold his own is Callaghan, who seems to be the only native rider to be possessed of the finesse and skill required to win races on a track where the angles are almost perpendicular and "loafing" is impossible. The pick of the riders is undoubtedly the German Rutt, Jacquelin has not by any means given a taste of his true form, probably because there is not a large prize at stake. Occasionally the great rider rouses the spectators by winning a race when he is in the mood ; and his famous "jump" which has won so many hard fought contests is still as clever as of old. Jacquelin is a rider of marvellous coolness, and it is a strange sight to witness him lashing his feet to the pedals by means of straps preparatory to starting in a race. So far there has been only one serious fall, when Hinz overshot himself at one of the curves, and collided with a pillar surrounding the track ; fortunately no bones were broken. The executive has created an innovation in regard to prizes, as instead of matches for more or less inflated money prizes, the riders are paid for their work, and certainly they give full value to the spectators for exciting and thrilling contests.

Sometimes a rim brake acts very unevenly, causing the machine to move with a jerky motion when the brake is applied. On a greasy surface a too sudden application of the brake may lock the wheel and cause the wheel to skid. A rim that is accurately designed, and can be thoroughly relied on to remain mathematically true, is the Dunlop. And it is fully guaranteed.

THE CORONATION IN INDIA.

CELEBRATIONS IN BOMBAY.

BESIDES those already mentioned by us other celebration took place on Thursday.

About 175 children of the Cutchi Dosa Oswal Pathshala, situated at Khadak, Mandvi, were treated with sweetmeats at the expense of the Pathshala, under the supervision of Mr. Danjee Keshowjee.

Mr. Framjee Rustomjee, of the Royal Bakery, gave a treat to the 50 students of the J. N. Petit Parsee Orphanage of Christmas cakes and sweets at the People's Fair. The boys were conducted over the fair, and were sent away with packets of sweetmeats specially made for them.

After the Ramzan Id prayers at the Juma Mosque a special prayer was recited by the Kazi, in which about ten thousand Mahomedans joined. Similar prayers were offered in other mosques in the city. A feast was given to the boarders of the Arabic School attached to the mosque, and each student was presented with a 'saya' or coat. The building was effectively illuminated at night.

A meeting was held in the Town Custom Offices, over which Mr. E. Gray, I. C. S. presided, and at which Coronation Certificates of Merit were presented to nine gentlemen whose names had been selected by his Excellency the Viceroy. The names of the recipients were : Khan Saheb Maneckjee Hormusjee, Mr. Purshotum Balkrishna Joshi, Mr. Shaligram Jugannath, Sheik Ebrahim Ismail, Mr. Ramchandra Bhiwrao, Mr. Abdul Hussen Abdul Ali, Mr. Bomanjee Dorabjee Padamjee, Mr. Lukhmaa Gopal and Mr. Purshotum P. Vaju.

The Hindu Gymkhana, on the Kenneky Sea Face, was gaily decked with flags and bunting. About fifty members gathered on the ground in the morning, when Mr. Tribhowandas Mangaldas Nathubhoy hoisted the Union Jack on the flag-staff. In doing so he spoke of the blessings of the British rule and pointed out, by quotations from the Hindu sacred writings, how the Hindus were enjoined to honour and love their King. He called for three cheers for the King-Emperor. The building was illuminated at night.

In the evening a treat was given to 220 inmates of the David Sassoon Reformatory, at Chunam Kiln Road, Grant Road, at the expense of the Hon. Mr. Moses, a member of the committee. A programme of recitations, including the singing of the National Anthem in Marathi, was gone through by some of the boys. Mr. S. E. Shellim, also a member of the committee, expressed, through Mr. Baba Luximon, the secretary, the great gratification he felt in being present among them on such a unique and auspicious occasion, and called for three cheers for the King-Emperor and the Queen-Empress, which were heartily given.

Yesterday being a Mahomedan festival and Coronation day there assembled about 3,000 persons in the Mosque of the Nawab at Bhindi Bazar to offer the usual Eid prayer and special prayers for the Coronation and long life of the King-Emperor. The mosque was so much overcrowded that the surrounding public roads were used. At night the mosque was illuminated, together with several houses in the street. All the above functions were carried under the instruction of Nakhuda Haji Sherfuddin Ghuttay, the Mintawabi of the mosque. The Ghogbari St. mosque and Teli Gali were also illuminated.

A meeting of the Kshatriya Union Club was held at the 1st Carpenter Street, Khetwadi, under the presidency of Mr. Gunputrao Gopinath Mantri, at which the following resolution was passed : "The members and sympathisers of the Club beg to tender their respectful homage to his Most Gracious Majesty King Edward VII, Emperor of India, on the occasion of the Coronation Durbar at Delhi, and earnestly pray to the Almighty to pour upon his Majesty His choicest blessings, to grant him health and happiness, and to make his reign an era of prosperity." The president was authorised to communicate to his Excellency the Viceroy the hearty congratulations of the club.

The premises of the Crescent Club were decorated with flags, and illuminated. In the afternoon a feast was given to about fifty poor people, while in the evening a dinner was held, when Mr. Y. D. Patel occupied the chair. Mr. Fazul Cassum Semjee, the secretary, proposed the toast of "long life, health and a prosperous reign to their Imperial Majesties King Edward the VII and Queen Alexandra," and in doing so said what education, freedom and reforms they now enjoyed were due to British rule. The other toasts proposed were those of their Excellencies Lord and Lady Curzon and Lord and Lady Northcote, both of which were heartily received. The Chairman expressed pleasure at the way in which the club was celebrating the event.

At the invitation of the proprietor of the Nare School, Parel, a meeting of about 2,000 mill hands was held at Sopari Baug Road, in a shamiana erected to the south of the Morarjee Goculdas Mills. Operatives from the following mills were present ;—Morarji Gokuldas, Jacob Sasscon, Lord Reay, Sun Jam, Presidency, Star of India, Pabani, and Karimbhoy. Mr. Atmaram Moreshwar Chhatre, presided, and spoke on the benefits of the British rule, and of the good qualities of the King-Emperor and his Royal Consort. Sweetmeats were distributed to the children in the Nare School, and it was announced that a new school would be established for children of the mill hands working in northern mills, near Currie Road district. The proceedings terminated with cheers.

Mr. Ratansi Mulji, a wealthy Bania merchant, the founder of the Lady Northcote Hindu Orphanage, invited about a hundred boys and girls of the institution to partake of a treat provided for them in a 'shamiana' in the People's Fair. Mr. Naretamdas Purshotam, who was called to the chair, spoke in praise of Mr. Ratansi Mulji, the father and founder of the institution. Mr. Ratansi, he said, devoted not only his constant attention, zeal and energy to the welfare and well-being of the institution, but he also liberally provided it with money to keep it going. Several other speakers testified to Mr. Ratansi's hospitality and liberality to the poor of his community. Sweetmeats were distributed among the children, who gave three cheers for the King and Queen before they left the mandap.

A mass meeting of the backward Hindu classes of Bombay was held at two o'clock in the afternoon in the compound of Nana Shankersett's Temple, Tardeo, Rao Bahadur V. K. Vandekar presiding. About two thousand people attended. The proceedings opened with the reading of the Proclamation by the Chairman. A resolution was then passed offering the congratulations of the meeting to the King-Emperor and Queen Alexandra on the occasion of their coronation, praying for their long life and reign, and expressing deep attachment to the British throne. A hope was also expressed in the resolution that those entrusted with the administration of the country would continue to adopt measures calculated to ameliorate the condition of the backward classes, who formed eighty per cent. of the entire Indian population. The Chairman was authorised to communicate the resolution to his Excellency the Viceroy.

TREAT TO ORPHANS.

It is intended to entertain the children of all the Orphanages in Bombay at the People's Fair on Saturday, the 3rd instant, and the Secretaries and Superintendents of these Institutions are requested to arrange with Mr. Murzban, the Hon. Secretary of the Coronation Festivities Committee about the matter.

THE C. D. O. JAIN PATHSHALA.

A gathering was held in the premises of the Cutchhi Dusa Oswal Jaina Pathshala under the presidency of Mr. Damji Keshavji, at which sweets were distributed to the school-boys among those who were present were : Messrs. Jethabhai Dawji, Teji Bhimshi, Mansukh Kirchand, Velji, Anandji and others. A portrait of H. I. M. King Edward the seventh was hung to the wall.

MADHYANDIN MITRA SAMAJA.

A gathering under the auspices of this Samaja was held in the temple of Shri Siddheshwara at Girgaon Back Road, belonging to Mr. Vinayek Sadanand Joshi, J. P. Prayers were offered for the long and prosperous reign of King Edward VII and Queen Alexandra. This temple with others in the ward were illuminated in the evening by the proprietor, Mr. Vinayekrao.

THE ANANTRISHI OART CLUB.

A gathering in honor of the Coronation was held in the club premises under the able management of Mr. Vinayek B. Dhurandhar. The proceedings commenced with singing by a professional singing girl. A prayer was then offered for the long life of our Emperor, Edward VII. This was followed by a sumptuous dinner which was heartily enjoyed. The gathering dispersed at a late hour in the night.

MAHOMMEDAN CELEBRATIONS.

The Jakaria Musjid Memon Mohallah and Sett Ludha Ibrahim's premises in Bellasis Road, were brilliantly illuminated on Coronation night and the following telegram was forwarded to the Viceroy by the firm of Ludha Ebram and Company :—Please convey our hearty congratulation, to Emperor Edward the VIIth and Empress Alexandra on account of Coronation, from us, and Cutchi Memon community of Bombay.

DISTRIBUTION OF FOOD AND CLOTHING.

The well known citizen of the Kokni community of Bombay, Mr. Mahomed Cassim Curtay, distributed grain, clothes and money to 200 widows and orphans of Bombay. The following telegram was sent this morning to His Excellency the Viceroy by Mr. Curtay. "Please convey my, and my family's sincere heartfelt congratulations to His Imperial Majesty King Emperor on the occasion of this most auspicious Coronation Durbar."

THE KAMGAR SAHAYAKARI MANDALI.

The following telegram was sent to the Viceroy by this association :—The president and vice president Messrs Keshev Bapujee Padval and Damoder Bapoojee Padval of Kamgar Sahayakari Mandali convey the most sincere congratulation to the King-Emperor and his Excellency the Viceroy from the mill hands of Bombay assembled in a Durbar held under the auspices of this mandali, presided over by Dr. M G. Deshmukha M. D. A scheme of opening night schools for mill-hands was inaugurated as a Memorial of the Coronation day.

THE "GATE OF MERCY" SYNAGOGUE.

At the instance of the wardens of the Synagogue, the Bene-Israel community met in large numbers for the Coronation service the above Synagogue. The Revd. Shalom Joseph the Minister of the Synagogue conducted the service, commencing with Psalm XXI. He then invoked blessings upon H. M. our Sovereign King Edward VII, Emperor of India and upon H. M. the Queen Alexandra, Empress of India, and Royal Family. The Synagogue was brilliantly illuminated under the supervision of Mr. G. Moses, the Secretary and Treasurer.

THE PEOPLE'S FAIR ON THE ESPLANADE.

DAY after day the People's Fair on the Esplanade continues to attract thousands of spectators ; and the interest it excites, knows no abatement. The "Spiral Tobaggan," which was opened to the public on Thursday afternoon, has proved an important addition to the other attractions of the fair. Its safety was tested in an experimental run over it by Mr. Murzban and some European engineers ; and it was pronounced to be perfectly safe and sound in every part of it. Men, women, and even children subsequently travelled over it without the slightest hitch. We are pleased to find that a rumour of an accident in connection with the machine turns out to be wholly unfounded. Nearly two thousand passengers patronised it on Thursday ; and it was freely resorted to yesterday as a novel and popular source of amusement.

EDWARD MANDIR.

Rao Saheb Balkrishna Bhiwaji Tenaji, J. P. called a very large gathering of his numerous friends yesterday afternoon at one of his houses behind the Dongri Jail to celebrate the happy event of the Coronation of His Most Gracious Majesty King Emperor Edward VII. Among those present were Dr. G. B. Patwardhan, Prof : N. B. Ranade, Tukaram Javaji, J. P., Rao Bahadur V. K. Wandekar, Mr. N. K. Rege and others. Rao Saheb Vinayak K. Oak presided. Rao Saheb Balkrishna, the host of the evening, who is a leading member of his commudity and who is much loved by his community for his acts of charity and kindness to them, made an offer of the free use of one floor of the same house in the interest of the general public. There was great need felt of such a hall for the transaction of public business in that part of the city. On behalf of the meeting Rao Saheb Oak, the President offered an eloquent tribute of profound loyalty and deep attachment to the English Throne. After a few speeches suited to the occasion flowers and pan-packets were distributed and a cordial vote of thanks having been passed to the donor, Rao Saheb Balkrishna, the meeting came to an end.

REJOICINGS OF THE AGA KHAN'S TENANTS.

On Thursday evening, a tea party on rather a large scale was given by Mr. Jaffur Cassum Moosa, the Estate Manager for his Highness the Aga Khan, G. C. I. E., to all the Khoja tenants of his Highness at Jail Road. Mr. Jaffur Cassum had, on the occasion nicely and tastefully, decorated his house where the entertainment was given. The Khojas were there served with tea, ice-cream, &c., and cheers for their Majesties the King-Emperor and the Queen-Empress were often heard. A toast wishing their Majesties long life, and happiness proposed by Mr. Jaffur Cassum and readily and earnestly drunk by all the Khojas present ended the entertainment.

Arches prettily illuminated with coloured butties were erected under the supervision of Mr. Jaffur Cassum on the gates on the Jail and Bhendy Bazar Roads leading to the big compound at the above place belonging to his Highness. A big cloth-board decorated with flags bearing the inscription on both sides "Long live their Imperial Majesties, the Emperor Edward VII. and the Queen Alexandra." "Blessings from his Highness' Jail Road Ismaili Khoja tenants" was hung across the Bhendy Bazar Road. Besides both the Bhendy Bazar and Jail Roads were nicely and tastefully decorated with fluttering buntings, flags and festoons. Mr. Jaffur Cassum also wired yesterday to his Highness' Agents outside Bombay to make illuminations on His Highness' bungalows at Ahmedabad, Rajkot, Bangalore, Mahabaleshvar, Matheran and other places.

BANK ILLUMINATIONS.

While the government and municipality illuminated their respective buildings, the authorities of the various banks in Bombay were not behind in contributing their quota to the festivity. The buildings of the Bank of Bombay, the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, the Bank of Bengal, the Yokohama Specie Bank, the National Bank and the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking corporation were brilliantly illuminated. The Bank of Bombay was illuminated with about three thousand lamps. The illumination, though simple, was effective. All the arches of the doors and windows were decorated with rows of multi-coloured lamps while the cornices, parapets and the outlines of the roof were defined in blaze of light. The east and south wings of the building presented a picturesque appearance. The Bank of Bengal in Elphinstone circle, was another building which was gracefully adorned with rows of buttees. All the outlines were artistically picked out. The rows of light running all along the entire block showed the edifice to considerable advantage.—The notable feature of the illumination on the building of the Yokohama Specie Bank, was the artistic representation in coloured glass of the Union Jack and the Rising Sun, set in a wooden frame in front of the edifice. The ingenious device indicated the alliance of the Union Jack & the Rising Sun.—The imposing massive structure of the Chartered Bank was artistically illuminated with electric light. The western facade shone refulgently bright, and exhibited a crown flanked on either side with letters E. R. worked out in electric jets.

THE CORONATION CLUB.

A large gathering of distinguished Mahomedans assembled in the Coronation Club. Mr. Kazi Chilmai was voted to the chair. Kazi Syed Badinzaman, B. A., said : Mr. President and gentlemen,—It is a matter of great delight to us to meet here on such an auspicious occasion that of his Majesty's Coronation, the New Year's day, and the Id. A memorably happy day like this will for ever be remembered by posterity with feelings of pride and joy during the long and beneficent rule of Britannia. The very auspicious signs indicate that his Majesty's reign will be a continuity of peace and blessing to the loyal and praying subjects of an Alexanderlike Emperor. We Mahomedans who have every reason to be proud of being the subjects of his Brittanic Majesty will for ever pray for the stability and permanence of such a just and merciful empire. It will be too long to enumerate the blessings enjoyed during the British rule by the great and small of our community. It shall be the sincere prayer of every loyal Mahomadan to ask long life and prosperity for his Majesty and his noble Consort from the court of the Ruler of Rulers.

Mr. Mohamed Husain Hakim and Syed Muinuddin prayed for the King's health, and thanked the members of the club in short and energetic speeches. Aga Mirza Mohamed Ghirazi thanked Dr. Gulam Sarwar and Khan Sahib Ibrahim Hafiz as leaders of the club. The meeting was concluded amid hearty prayers and sincere and loud acclamations.

MOFUSSIL CELEBRATIONS.

CALCUTTA.

CALCUTTA, THURSDAY.

An Immense concourse of Europeans, Eurasians, and Natives were present at the Proclamation. Parade was held on the maidan this morning. The sailors were treated to a big dinner this afternoon which was followed by sports. As Calcutta celebrates the Coronation later in the month there was no demonstration here to-day beyond Fort William being brilliantly and effectively illuminated to-night. Telegrams, however, have been received from various stations in Bengal, where the Coronation is being celebrated with much rejoicing.

POONA.

POONA, THURSDAY.

The Poona Native Institution was illuminated and decorated with flags and bunting in honour of Coronation Day.

POONA, FRIDAY.

About 261 prisoners were released from the Yerrowda Jail. Mr. Kaikhusroo Adarjee Gh[illegible], barrister-at-law, also proprietor of the Mundhwa Rum and Sugar Factory, had a gala day yesterday at Mandhwa, which is five miles off from Poona. His place was nicely decorated and illuminated, and gave a fete to his employees, and also a holiday to them.

HUBLI.

HUBLI, THURSDAY.

The Parsi Anjuman, Hubli, met at a Jasan ceremony to commemorate Coronation Day and prayed for their Majesties long life, health and prosperity.

AHMEDABAD.

AHMEDABAD, THURSDAY.

The following telegram was sent to the Viceroy :—The Brahma Kshatriya community of Ahmedabad most respectfully congratulate his Majesty on his proclamation as Emperor of Hindustan, and wish his Majesty long life.

PALITANA.

PALITANA, THURSDAY.

Coronation Day was celebrated here by the illumination on a grand scale of the public places, Durbargadh the palace, the Bhisaynath temple, the Harris School, the Empress Dispensary Post and Telegraph offices, and the streets of the town. A dinner and clothes were given to the poor and sweets to the children and pupils of the schools.

BANDRA.

BANDRA, THURSDAY.

The Proclamation of the King-Emperor was read in the Magistrate's Court by Mr. Sale, I.C.S., Assistant Collector, to-day, at 10 A. M., after which National Anthem was played. The Municipality distributed sweetmeats and toys to their school children and alms to the poor. The town will be illuminated to-night.

SADRA.

SADRA, FRIDAY.

Rao Gisbri went to Sadra where he received the Kharita of distinction from Government. The school children were fed and prizes were distributed The poor were also feasted. Great rejoicings prevailed among the people. The whole town was brilliantly illuminated and tastefully decorated with flags. Fire works were let of at night.

ISLAMPUR.

ISLAMPUR, THURSDAY

Festivities commenced here on the 29th. Much enthusiasm prevails among all classes throughout Talukha. The proclamation was read to-day with much eclat. The committee provided a varied programme, a dinner to the poor, theatrical performances, wrestling matches, sweetmeats to the children etc. The whole town was illuminated to-night. The festivities end to-morrow with a firework display.

BIJAPUR.

BIJAPUR, THURSDAY.

In honour of the Coronation, a grand entertainment was given to all local leading European and Native ladies and gentlemen in the High School. Choice recitations and the performance of a humorous play greatly pleased the audience, and then followed races and sports. Sweetmeats were distributed by Mrs. Drew and prizes by Mr. Drew. The celebration was concluded by three cheers to Mr. and Mrs. Drew, Mr. and Mrs. Biddle and the head master, Mr. Deshpande.

WAI.

WAI, THURSDAY.

Public prayers and the reading of the Proclamation took place in a specially erected pandal. The poor were fed with sweetmeats to all the children. The National Anthem was sung. The public buildings and Post Office, temples, and ghats were beautifully illuminated. There were bonfires on the surrounding forts and also a display of fireworks. Cheers for His Majesty were given. The poor were given clothes. The licence to play music was declined by the Police Superintendent and District Magistrate. Government was requested by wire to grant the licence, but there was no answer and hence no procession.

JAMKHANDI.

JAMKHANDI, THURSDAY.

A crowded meeting was held in the rooms of the Vachan Vatika in honour of the Coronation Durbar to-day. Many speeches were delivered eulogising the many excellent qualities of the head and heart of his Most Gracious Majesty, the King-Emperor. A big portrait of their Majesties was hung in a conspicuous place in the hall and was garlanded. After the distribution of pan, Supari, three hearty cheers were given for their Majesties the King-Emperor and the Queen. Great enthusiasm prevailed. The building was tastefully decorated with bunting flags and arches. In the evening it was brilliantly illuminated.

NADIAD.

NADIAD THURSDAY.

The Coronation celebration took place here on an extensive scale. The Proclamation was read at the local Durbar held in the Mamlatdar's kachery, and a long procession of the photographs of their Imperial Majesties went round the town in which persons of all classes joined enthusiastically and loyally. About three thousand paupers were fed and clothed, and prizes and sweets were distributed to all the school children. Prayers were held in mosques and temples both in the morning and evening. There were brilliant illuminations all throughout the town, and a good display of fire-works, which attracted a large crowd from the villages terminated the rejoicings of the day, which was observed as a holiday in the taluka.

INDORE.

INDORE CITY, THURSDAY.

The Coronation festivities in Indore State were held to-day. A royal salute of 101 guns was fired at sunrise and a parade of the State Army was held. The foundation of the King Edward Hall was laid, and arrears of Land Revenue amounting to Rs. 55,00,000 were remitted. Old dues of the State shops amounting to Rs. 17,00,000 were also written off. Eighty-one prisoners were released. The palace and other buildings were illuminated, and prayers were offered for the long life and prosperity of their Imperial Majesties in all the temples and mosques in the State, Kirtans were performed in the temples and Subhat buildings, and a distribution of sweetmeats to the school children took place. An open Durbar was held by the acting Minister at which the Proclamation was read.

INDORE.

INDORE, THURSDAY.

At Indore residency in the absence of the Agent to the Governor-General, the Coronation Durbar was held yesterday in a beautifully decorated Pavilion. Rai Sahib Pundit Mandal, extra Assistant, read the royal proclamation and its Urdu translation was read by the native assistant. Addresses of congratulating from the inhabitants of the residency bazar were also read in English and Hindi in honour of this occasion. Prayers were offered by all communities in their respective temples for the long life of their Majesties the Emperor and Empress. During the day different kinds of sports and amusements were held and about two thousand poor were fed. Sweetmeats were also distributed to the boys in all the schools. In the evening, the whole of the bazar and all public buildings were illuminated and there was also a display of fireworks.

MAHUVA.

MAHURA, THURSDAY.

In connection with the Coronation festivities at Mahura under Bhavnagar, Mr. Munjibhoy and Mr. Mahajan co-operated with the Durbari officials, and made a great success of the day's programme. In the forenoon a kacheri was held at the Durbar Hall, where Mr. Vyvatdar read the loyal speach of the Maharaja Saheb. Sugar and "pan supari" were distributed and in the afternoon about two thousand children of the schools were feasted by the Durbar and Mr. Munjibhoy gave them sweets and prizes. He also gave a dinner to his community and to the workmen of his presses and ginning factories, and also fed and distributed clothes to all the poor of the town. The town was illuminated, including the Durbari Offices, the Mahajane Dhurumsalla and Mr. Munjibhoy's bunglow was beautifully lighted. The ceremonies were concluded by grand fireworks at Mr. Munjibhoy's expense.

ERANDOL.

ERANDOL, FRIDAY.

Yesterday in honour of the Coronation a grand Durbar was held in the Mamletdar's Katcherry under the auspices of Mr. Elliot, the Assistant Collector, C. D., Khandesh, and nearly 5,000 townsmen assembled. In this assemblage the proclamation was read in Marathi by the Mamledar Saheb, and the Coronation song recommended by the Director of Public Instruction, Bombay, was sung in Marathi by the children. Some eloquent speeches were made, and at the end pan supari and atter gulab were distributed and the National Anthem was sung. Three cheers for the King-Emperor terminated the proceedings. Five hundred of the poor and deserving beggars were sumptuously feasted and some of them were given clothes. All the boys and girls in the Municipal Schools were given sweetmeats. In the evening there were illuminations all over the town and a grand display of fireworks at the bank of the river.

MADRAS.

MADRAS, FRIDAY.

The Hon'ble Mr. Gabriel Stokes, Chief Secretary to Government, presided over the Proclamation Durbar held yesterday in the Banqueting Hall. The leading officials and non-officials stood on the flight of steps. The Chief Secretary, and Secretaries and Translators stood on the top of the staircase.

Mr. Stokes opened the Durbar with a short speech. Mr. Twigg, Collector of Madras, read the Proclamation. Mr. E. Marsden read a Hindustani translation, Dewan Bahadur Raghava Charlu a Tamil translation, and Mr. S. Rangaiya Chetti a Telugu version. The Chief Secretary announced the honours awarded to inhabitants of this Presidency and presented the certificates of honour in the name of the King-Emperor. The main streets of the city and all the large buildings were illuminated with myriads of lights. There was a grand fireworks display on the island in the evening. The Municipal Commissioner, Mr. Todd, treated 9,000 school children on the Island in the afternoon, and it was a great success.

KOLHAPUR.

KOLHAPUR, THURSDAY.

A Coronation Durbar was held in Kagal junior on 1st January, the principal functions of the day being the police parade, feeding of the poor, prayers for the long life and prosperity of the King-Emperor, illuminations and fire-works and other festivities.

A Durbar was held in the palace and the Royal Proclamation was read by Raashad B. K. Rasingkar, the State karbhari, the chief being absent in Delhi for the Coronation Durbar there. A salute of 101 guns was fired in honour of the joyous occasion; some prisoners were released and others received remission of their sentences. The palace and other offices were gracefully decorated with bunting and flags. Sweetmeats were distributed to the school children and alms were distributed among the poor. In the evening the place the public offices and other state buildings, and temple were illuminated and the day was observed by all the classes of people as a holiday.

SURAT.

SURAT, THURSDAY.

Sayed Zani-el-Edros, invited the Mahomedans and other gentry to a Coronation gathering. A special sermon was delivered eulogysing the British reign, and blessing the Emperor and Empress and the Royal family. Prayers for the rule of their Magesties were also offered. All the Mahomedan students were served with sweets. Sayed Zani Edrus sent a telegram to the Viceroy on behalf of the Mahomedan community expressing a hope for the long life and reign of their Majesties. The Coronation Durbar was held in Castle Royal. The Proclamation was read, and the Union Jack hoisted. The armed police fired, and the band played the National Anthem. Certificates of merit were presented to Bomonji Edalji Modi, Doctor Dossabhai Pestonji Kalabhai, Lalabhai Dhwardas, Store Permanddas, Mamlatdar Trikamlal, Divan, Haji Oref Ismael, Burjorji Chandrashanker, and Rao Bahadure Desai Khandubhan Engineer. The illuminations and fire-works were very attractive. All the vernacular and English students were gathered in the public park. Sweets were distributed and the poor feasted.

BANSDA.

BANSDA, THURSDAY.

At Bansda at daybreak a royal salute of 101 guns was fired, the palaces, state offices, and public buildings were decorated with evergreens and bunting. Prisoners of good conduct were released, and the school boys and girls, poor people of the town, and prisoners were given a feast. Sweets were distributed among the school boys of the state. All the people observed the day as a special holiday. The leading men of the town assembled together in their temples to offer prayers to God for the long life and prosperity of their Majesties. In the afternoon a durbar was held in the Indravilas Palace by Kumarshri Pranvinsingji; and Kumar Shri Natvarsingji saheb, with the Nura, has proceeded to Delhi to attend the Coronation Durbar. All the state officers, mankaris, and leading gentlemen of the town were present. The National Anthem was sung and the durbar was dissolved. After the distribution of panaupari and attargulab, the palaces, public buildings and the whole town were illuminated. The appearance of Edward Street was really beautiful.

PORBANDAR.

PORBANDAR THURSDAY.

Their Majesties Coronation was celebrated with great enthusiasm throughout the town. At sunrise about 50 country crafts in anchor which were gaily decorated fired one gun each. At noon a bari kirtan was done in the sudama premises and prayers were offered by citizens in their respective places of worship. A public durbar under presidency of Kumar Shri Vajesinhji, in the absence of his Highness the Rana Saheb who has proceeded to Delhi, was held, at 3 p. m. at the Diamond Jubilee Hall, which was beautifully decorated. All officials and leading citizens attended. The Surnyayadish explained the object of Durbar. Benedictory songs and verses to the accompaniment of music were recited. The local band was in attendance. A Royal salute of 101 guns was fired. Sweetmeats were distributed to school children both Hindu and Mahomedan, the poor were feasted and clothes given to them by the townsmen. At night the principal public and private buildings and country craft were illuminated. Fireworks were let off at the bunder where light refreshments were provided for the guests. Ladies also graced the bunder with their presence.

BHOWNAGAR.

BHOWNAGAR, THURSDAY.

Thursday was observed in Bhownagar as a public holiday. Sweetmeats will be distributed to the children in the schools, and all the children of the town will gather in the public park for entertainment. The whole town will be illuminated and decorated with flags.

Lieutenant Chauncy, the Political Agent of Gohilwad, will go down to Dhangadhra where a Durbar will be held, and ceremonies will be performed. The Rankas will be fed and clothing will be given them.

A tea party will be given to all the State officials, the whole town is decorated with bunting and flags and it will be illuminated to-night. Short term good conduct prisoners will also be released. The railway stations, Bhownagar, Gondal, Junagadh, Porbander (representing four States;) are decorated with flags and bunting, and will be illuminated to-night. 101 detonators will be placed at the above stations on the rails and will be exploded under the wheels, of the trains as a salute to H. M. the King.

KUMTA.

KUMTA, FRIDAY.

To-day was a gala day here, and all Kumta has been jubilant. The poor were supplied with money and rice until noon. Prayers were offered for their Majesties' long life in the temples, churches, and mosques. A grand Durbar was held, and their Majesties photos were placed on an emblished dais in the taluka office. The meeting was densely crowded. Land lords, merchants, and officials attended. The Proclamation was read by the Mamletdars, and the National Anthem was sung. A Royal Salute followed. A procession with the photos placed in a horse carriage started at 3-30 p. m. and flags and a band of music accompanied it. The procession marched through the main roads which were decorated with arches and evergreens. The photos were garlanded and greeted with cheers everywhere. A public meeting was held in the Kanarese school which was quite packed. Loyal speeches were delivered. The proceedings ended late. Pan supari and attar gulab were distributed, and sweets were given to the school children. The public buildings and streets were illuminated, and presented a magnificent spectacle, in the night, Fireworks and bonfires concluded the celebration. The arrangements were most successful. They were under the superintendence of Mr. Ramchandra Pai, president of the Coronation Committee, the Mamletdar, and the Government and Municipal officials.

NANDAD.

NANDAD, FRIDAY

A grand durbar and review of troops were convened this morning by Matharanashri Chhatrasinsji Raja of Rajpipla. Oil paintings of their Majesties were placed in the durbar shamiana, which was beautifully decorated, as well as the approaches to it. Sanskrit and Gujrati songs invoking blessings on his Majesty were beautifully rendered by the school children. The Proclamation was read and his Highness addressed the durbar in a speech characterised by sentiments of the deepest loyalty. His Highness expressed his keen regret at his inability on account of urgent advice from a high medical authority to take part in his Excellency the Viceroy's Durbar, a function in which his Highness had ardently looked forward to participate in and for which he had made every preparation. He said the circumstances would ever be a source of sincere sorrow to him, but that it was some consolation to him to have this opportunity of manifesting before an assemblage of his subjects his heart felt joy on this most happy and auspicious occasion and of having his people to participate in this joy. He made a touching reference to the late Queen-Empress of ever blessed memory and dwelt on the blessings enjoyed by the native states under the protection of the British Emperor. His Highnes concluded his address with the following word "May the ever merciful God bless his Majesty the King-Emperor and his Royal spouse, her most gracious Majesty the Queen.

KUNDLA.

KUNDLA, FRIDAY.

Coronation Day was observed and enjoyed as a Divali Holiday by the State officers, the elite of the town, and the public in general, who heartily co-operated to make the work of the day a success. In the morning a grand darbar was held in the main buildings of the Darbargadh, the road leading to the place was well decorated with bannerettes, flags and ever greens. The proceedings commenced with the National Anthem. His Highness the Maharaja Sahib's speech was read by Vahivatdar Saheb Azam Sakarlal Girjashanker Desai. A Royal Salute of 101 guns was followed by the firing of "feu de joie" by the district native Sebandhi. Then followed the destribution of sugar candy, pan-supari and attar gulab, while native musicians amused the assembly. In the afternoon a garden party was given by the Vahivatdar Saheb at the Fulivadi where all the officers Mulgarasias, Mahajans and Patalias were invited. The students of the English school and advanced students of the local vernacular school were also invited and given different treats. In the evening, a display of fireworks prepared at the expense of the Goba and Mankada Mulgarasias took place near the Coronation park. The principal buildings of the town, private and public, as well as the main streets, were well illuminated. Six prisoners were released. The Mahajans fed the poor, numbering 300, who were given clothes. The two working ginning factories were closed the labourers receiving their full wages for the day. There were great rejoicings and immence enthusiasm prevailed throughout the town.

KARWAR.

KARWAR, THURSDAY.

Coronation festivities held to-day with the greatest eclat and enthusiasm at Karwar. Several bands of Indian music played in different parts of the town at day-break to announce the approach of the auspicious day. At 6 a.m. over a thousand children, who marched in procession with flags and banner from all the local schools, met in the Badminton Hall where after singing English, Sanscrit and Vernacular songs, sweets were distributed to them and alms to the poor by Mrs. Panse, Mrs. Verley and Miss Macgregor. After an appropriate speech by Sirdar Panse, the Collector, the proceedings terminated with three cheers for their Imperial Majesties. At 2 p. m. a Durbar attended by all the officers and gentry of the town was held in the Badminton Hall which was tastefully decorated for the occasion. Sirdar Panse who arrived punctually and was received by the assistant collector and a guard-of-honour consisting of fifty rank-and-file, under the command of the superintendent of police, opened the proceedings in an eloquent and impressive speech, dwelling upon the numerous blessing conferred upon India by British rule, and read the royal proclamation. The speech was interpreted and the proclamaton read in vernaculars. A feu-de-joie was fired by the police, the singing of the National Anthem by the boys of the high school and the distribution of pan supari brought the proceedings to a close amidst the booming of a royal salute of 101 guns. The portraits of their Majesties were then carried by people in a beautifully ornamented car through the town in a long and splendid procession the like of which Karwar never witnessed before. At night the whole town was splendidly illuminated and there was a exhibition of fireworks. The greatest enthusiasm prevailed throughout.

DWARKA.

DWARKA, FRIDAY.

The Assistant Resident, Mr. Harrison, convened last evening a large gathering of people and State officials, civil and military, in honour of the Coronation of our Gracious King and Emperor Edward VII. Among those present were Mrs. and Miss Harrison and Dewan Bahadur Mr. Samarth, Suba of Amreli. A military band was in attendance. The spacious school compound and the opposite Library building were tastefully decorated. A party of the Okha Battallion and State police were present, and presented arms in token of dutiful homage. Mr. Harrison having made a preliminary speech, thanking all assembled for responding heartily to the invitation, read out in English the Royal Proclamation which was translated in Gujarati by his Shiristedar, Mr. Laxmidasbhai. This over, the band played the National Anthem, the whole assembly standing in mute delight meanwhile. Mr. Harrisson then presented certificates to Messrs. Narayandas Hemraj and Bakerlal Amarji on behalf of his Excellency the Viceroy for valuable services during the late famine, which were thankfully received by Mr. Narayandas. Diwan Bahadur Samarth having made a short but befitting speech, and Mr. Harrison wishing all a Happy New Year in return, and prizes and sweetmeats having been distributed among boys and girls, and pan supari, attar, garlands, and bouquets to those assembled, the party dispersed with loud cheers for the King Emperor, his Excellency the Viceroy, his Highness the Gaekwar of Baroda, Mr. Harrison, and Diwan Bahadur Samarth. By way of observing the festival, the local Post and Telegraph Offices were beautifully illuminated at night. Three arches of good wishes for the Emperor were planted on the Post Office premises. The Jagat Guru Shri Shankucharya presented costly dresses to local deities, lighted their temples, and invited the people to witness the delightful scene.

THE ILLUMINATIONS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

SIR,—Did you go to see the illuminations last night? We went, but did not see them, and how that happened you will learn from the following, which, if it appears in your columns, will give some consolation to the thousands of similarly disappointed Bombay public. We started on the mission at 7 p. m. from my place at Cumballa Hill; there was a "bright" future before us, from what one could gather from the various notices about the illuminations. We had decided to join the "line" at Money School junction and then to place ourselves "in the hands of the Police," who, provident souls, gave out that they had made the best of arrangements to enable the beloved subjects of his Majesty the King to see the illuminations comfortably and in a right royal manner.

Unfortunately, in the excitement of the occasion the Police forgot the mission on which the people were out, and made the best of arrangements, not for them to see the illuminations but to see the various parts of Bombay the Beautiful, which lie between Money School and the balmy regions of Parel. We began our exciting journey with a slight halt of about twenty minutes at the Money School corner, and then moved to stop about forty yards further on Kalbadevi Road, just in front of a stucture built by our Municipality for the convenience of the Bombay public. All eyes were immediately turned towards it, we thinking that the halt had been made as the illuminations there were exceptionally good. Our sense of sight feasted on darkness, but our sense of smell was provided for. The effect was strange and exceptionable. During the twenty minutes or so we were becalmed there, and our noses were buried in our handkerchiefs However, we were once more on the move and this time performed a more tolerable length of journey, having actually proceeded about sixty yards before the halt was sounded again. By then, we were becoming use to this mode of procedure. There were some illuminations there, but of course we were not out to see the illuminations, we only wanted to see how Bombay looks in darkness—so the Police thought at least, for we stopped and moved alternately straight on. The panorama changed from Kalbadevi into the picturesque beauties of Bhindy Bazar in the dark! With regard to smell, we were certainly worse off than at Kalbadevi. The police may be large hearted, as we may conclude from their consideration for the comforts of the public, but that they have broad backs is the evidence of an eye-witness, for all along the route the policemen stood with their backs carefully turned upon the indignant public.

We drove on to Arthur Road, past the Victoria Gardens, past the Technical Institute, past the Petit mills, and at 10-15 P. M. halted there and held a council to decide whether we should devote the rest of the night to attempting to reach the beautiful illuminations in the Fort, or to turn homewards. We very wisely arrived eventually at the latter decision, and returned sadder and wiser men. Upto now I cannot get rid of the impression that I have been to a midnight burial at Sewree. The route was the same, the pace was the same, our feelings were almost the seme! Will anybody be good enough to send some very soothing balm for our very ruffled souls in the way of an explanation of the extraordinary arrangements?—Yours, &c.

Bombay, Janury 2. J.

BOMBAY GOVERNMENT ORDERS.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

The Honourable Mr J Pollen. B A, LLD, Barrister-at Law I C S, is granted privilege leave of absence for one month and twenty-two days in combination with special leave on urgent private affairs for four months and eight days

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to make the following appointments vice Mr J A McIver appointed Supdt Land Records and Agriculture. Central Division:—Khan Bahadur Dhanjisha Edalji Kothavala to be third grade Depy Collr, his lien continuing suspended as at present; Rao Bahadur Narayan Chintaman Soman to be third grade Depy Collr vice Khan Bahadur Dhanjishah Edalji Kothavala; Rao Bahadur Vasudev Ramchandra Patvardhan to be fourth grade Depy Collr vice Rao Bahadur Narayan Chintaman Soman, promoted; Rao Bahadur Raghvendra Pandurang Bengiri to be fifth grade Depy Collr vice Rao Bahadur Vasudev Ramchandra Patvardhan, promoted, and Rao Saheb Vishnu Raghunath Kelkar, L C E, to be Sixth grade Depy Collr vice Rao Bahadur Raghvendra Pandurang Bengiri, promoted.

H E the Governor in Council is pleased to appoint Rao Bahadur Janardan Eknath Sahasrabudhe on relief, to be Dist Depy Collr, Sholapur.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT.

Volunteer Corps.

Appointment and Promotions—Bombay Volunteer Artillery.—Major Melville Walker, R A., to be Major, to complete the establishment.

2nd Battalion Bombay Baroda and Central India Railway Volunteers—The following appointments are made with effect from the 1st Nov—Edward Charles Lloyd, Gentleman, to be Second Lieu vice Cooke, promoted; Albert Cockcraft, Gentleman, to be Second Lieut vice Lafouche, promoted: Frederic James Hume Sievwight, Gentleman, to be second Lieut vice Anderson, promoted; Humbert Francis Danbury Burke, Gentleman, to be second Lieut vice Danby, promoted; George Edwin Robert Weatherdon, Gentleman, to be second Lieu vice Arnould, transferred to the 1st Battalion and Wilford Ward Bulkley, Gentleman, to be second-Lieut vice Howsin, transferred to the 1st Battalion.

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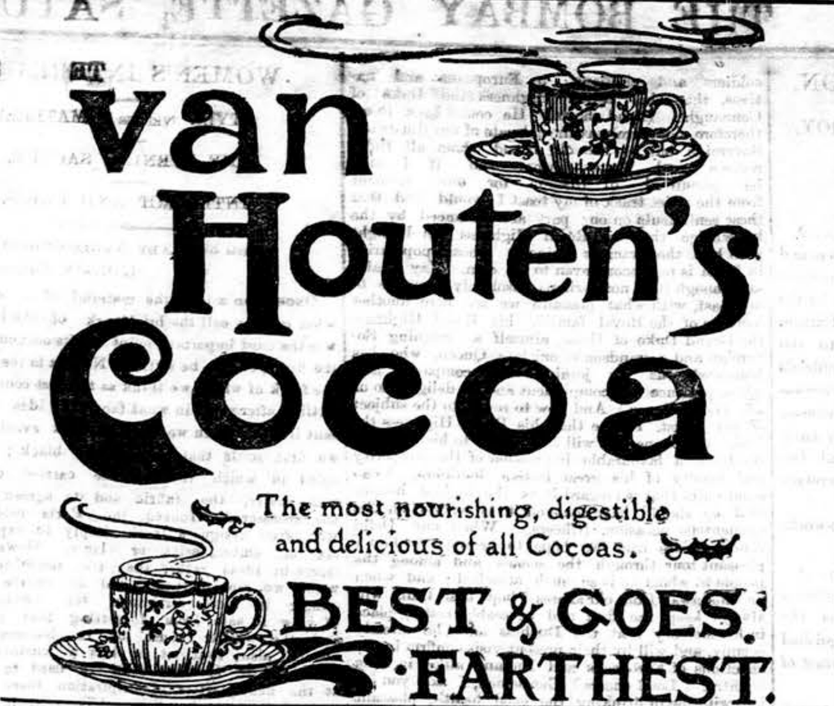
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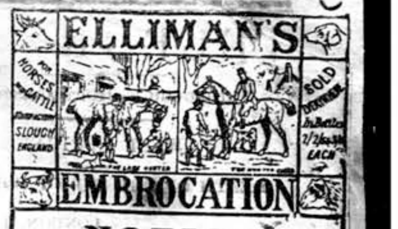

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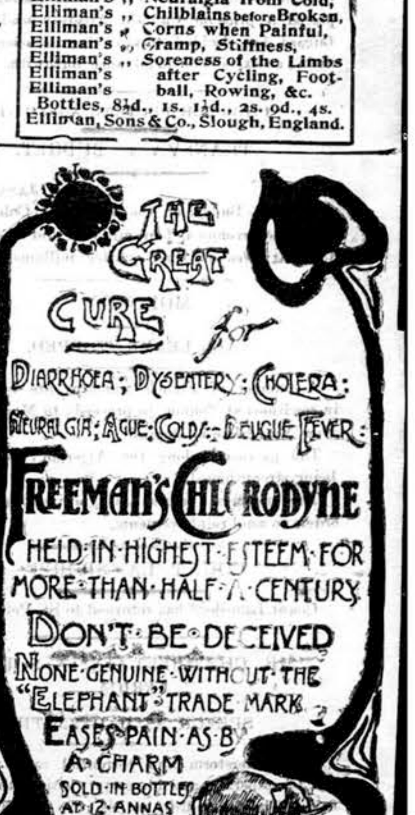
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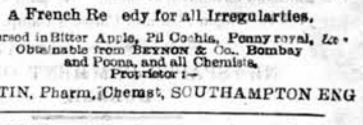

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MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

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Two articles in the current number of "The New Liberal Review" are of some interest to musicians. The first is by Mr. S. A. Herbert, and is entitled "A Sidelight on Richard Strauss." It was, no doubt, supposed by the author to be an extremely smart attack on those of us who admire Strauss's music; but in every line there is evidence that it has been written by one who has the most superficial knowledge of his subject, and has been prompted by a desire to be singular. Mr. Herbert makes a virulent attack on the morality of the libretto of "Feuersnot." We are told that "the story degenerates into vulgarity and indecency such as would not be tolerated in a London music-hall." Mr. Herbert is entitled to his opinion, but in giving his version of the libretto of "Feuersnot" he has been actuated by the spirit of the rankest philistinism. Just such an account of the plot might be expected from a sarcastic barrister wishing to impress a British jury. Mr. Herbert ignores the whole drift and meaning of the story, and pins his charge of immorality on one rather risky incident—so might the great masterpieces of literature be condemned.

His attempt at criticising the music of Richard Strauss is even more futile. The following passage is the most poignant: "Many of his startling chromaticisms are easily seen through, as they consist, for the most part, of successions of major intervals, where the harmonic feeling bequeathed by Bach and Mozart has created an instinctive desire for such alternations of major and minor intervals as are integral to the scale. In other words, much of the outre music of Strauss is based upon a scale of whole tones, and the application of this clue exhibits the vaunted liberationist spirit of this music as a delusion, the result of a reactionary dodge which is hidden in the maze of accidentals inseparable from our antiquated system of musical notation."

Mr. Herbert writes as if he has made this discovery, but this vague statement is not new, and, if Mr. Herbert thinks that the chromaticisms of Richard Strauss's music (even for the most part) are merely a matter of a maze of accidentals in notation, he must have listened to the music with very dull ears. I am afraid Mr. Herbert has a prejudice against all modern music, to which he is, apparently, not educated. For instance, he unfavourably compares the opening of Feuersnot with the opening of Rigoletto, and thinks that Tosti might have done as well as Strauss, and we have only to imagine how that greatest living master of musical technique, Camille Saint-Saens, would have dealt in his music with the requirements of the dramatic situation to realise the limitations of Strauss and, indeed, of all the advanced German School. Camille Saint-Saens indeed, that Parisian Jew who, with all his learning, has never succeeded in achieving a style of his own! One cannot argue seriously with writers whose point of view is so essentially frivolous. On Strauss's music Mr. S. A. Herbert's views are not only frivolous, but they are ill-considered and, it seems to me, based on no intimate knowledge of the subject; nor do they display any sympathy with music that is not of the lightest description. Such a man should not write on modern music.

The second article is by Mr. B. W. Findon, and is on Municipal Concerts for the Poor. Quite properly he advocates the necessity of providing music free for those who cannot afford to pay for the same reasons that public libraries have been founded. He is especially in favour of Sunday night concerts, and those who know their London will agree with him whatever their theoretical opinions as to the Sabbath may be. Mr. Findon takes the cost of the South Place Institute concerts as a basis for the probable expenditure of public money. The cost of each concert averages £10, "so that a series of twenty concerts would cost £200, and assuming that there are twenty Town Halls, the demand on the ratepayers would be £4,000, and that sum spread over the whole of the ratable area of the Country of London is such an insignificant figure that it scarcely bears discussion." Personally I should not put the cost at quite as low a figure, but even £8,000 would amount to a very small charge on the ratepayers.

This afternoon Mr. Fritz Kreisler gives his second violin recital at St. James's Hall. The bulk of the programme again consists of old music. Among this Bach's Sonata in E major, with accompaniments by Schumann, is announced. This, I take it, is the third suite for violin solo. Schumann wrote pianoforte accompaniments for the three Sonatas, and the three suites for violin. Among the latter is the D minor suite, of which the famous Chaconne is a movement. Antiquarians cannot object to Schumann's accompaniments with any show of reason, for Bach himself arranged some of the movements to the suites for violin and clavier.

Mr. Ernest Newlandsmith, a capable young violinist and professor of his instrument, gave a concert yesterday afternoon at the Bechstein Hall. It was principally remarkable for the production of a new painoforte trio, in F sharp minor, by Constantin Sternberg, who, I believe, is a musician resident in America. It is a lighthearted, melodious and neatly-written work. Its main merits are that it does not ape the classical chamber-music style and that there is not a bar of Brahms in it from the first movment to the last. Mr Ernest Newlandsmith played several solo with good quality of tone and finished technique. He is a pleasant if not remarkable violinist. Miss Christine D'Almaine and Mr. Moffat Ford sang, and Miss Evelyn Suart, who, with Mr. William Southworth, the 'cellist, had joined the concert-giver in the trio, played Chopin's Ballade in A flat.

The Queen has sent Miss Ellaline Terriss the birthday cake that was made for her at Sandringham, with the express wish that the cake should be cut up and given to all the children that appeared before her at Windsor Castle. The cake is in two tiers, and beautifully ornamented with flowers in devices of sugar, and it is as much as two men can do to carry it. A party will be given at the Vaudeville Theatre to-night when the cake will be cut, and the health of her Gracious Majesty drunk by her very loyal little subjects.

Sir Henry Irving returns to town after the end of this week, but after a short rest he will start again on a tour which will this time include some of the less important towns he has never yet visited. He will begin at Northampton on Janury 29th, and then go on to Portsmouth, Plymouth, Newport, Swansea, Southampton, Boscombe, Wolverhampton, Leicester, Halifax, Oldham, and Bolton, which will bring him almost to the end of February. He will then return to town for he rehearsals of Mr. Laurence Irving's translation of M. Sardou's new play, "Dante," which is to be produced at Drury Lane at the beginning of April.

It was announced some time ago that Mis Ellen Terry would not appear with Sir Henry Irving at Drury Lane Theatre, nor upon the subsequent American tour. And in order to complete arrangements for a season of her own in London she has decided also not to take part in the tour in the spring as announced above. Sir Henry Irving's repertory for this tour will therefore be confined to "The Merchant of Venice," "Louis the Eleventh," "Waterloo," and "The Bells." Miss Terry's plans, in the meanwhile, are not yet fixed beyond that at Christmas next year she will be appearing in America under the direction of Mr Charles Frohman. But she will certainly be seen in London this season, although whether it will be in one of two new plays which she has in her possession or in a classical revival has not yet been decided.

On Tuesday, the 16th inst., the German Theatre will produce Philippi's play, "Das grosse Licht," which quite recently has had a remarkable success in Germany. In this, Miss Margaret Halstan will make her second appearance with this company, in the character of Charlotte Eggers. The last performance this season of "Alt-Heidelberg" will take place on Monday, December 15th.

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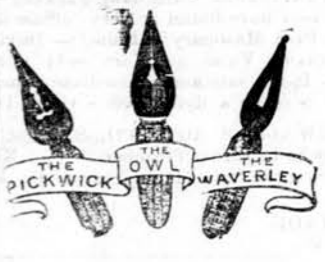

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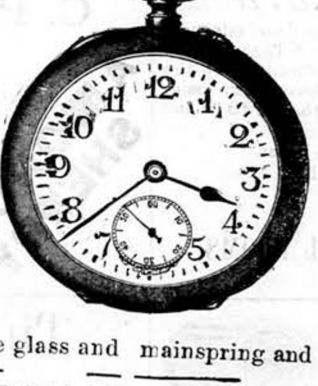

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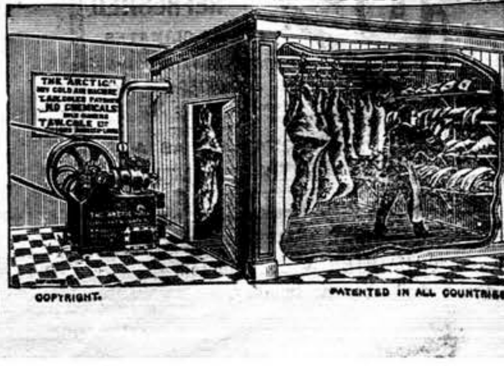
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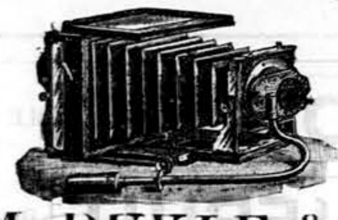

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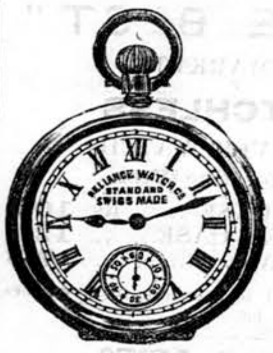

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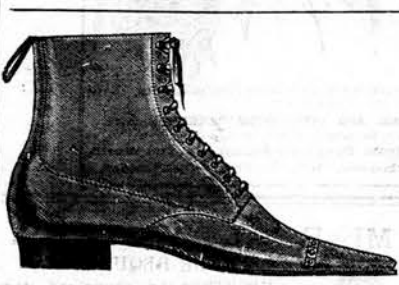

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